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1. Forms giving particulars of the approximate quantities required for delivery at Bombay and Ajmer and conditions on which Tenders will be received may be obtained on application at the Chief Storekeeper's Office, Parel, Bombay, and from the Deputy Storekeeper's Office, Ajmer.

Form No : 1 consists of miscellaneous Stores Parel Delivery.
" " 2 Do. do. do. Ajmer do.
" " 3 Kerosine oil Parel delivery.
" " 4 Do. for Ajmer Parel delivery.
" " 5 Waste cotton Parel delivery.
" " 6 Do. Ajmer delivery.
" " 7 Cocoanut oil Parel delivery.
" " 8 Leather goods Ajmer delivery.

The whole or any of the above forms can be had on payment of Rs. 2 per each copy.

2. The Agent reserves the right to select one or more items from any Tender without reference to the other items on the same Tender and the Tenderer will be required to supply at the rate quoted and sign an agreement for the due fulfilment of the contract.

4. Tenders should be superscribed "Tenders for Indigenous Stores" &c., and a deposit of Rs. 1,000 (One thousand) must accompany all or any of the 8 Tenders without which no Tender will be considered. In the event of a Contractor whose tender has been accepted failing to execute the Contract, the above deposit will be liable to forfeiture at the descretion of the Agent.

5. If Government Paper and other Securities be submitted they must be endorsed in favour of the Bombay Baroda and Central India Railway Company.

6. A further deposit will have to be made by the successful Tenderer so as to make the total deposit equal to five per cent of the total amount of the accepted Tenders. No interest will be allowed on cash deposits.

7. All Stores to be in accordance with the Company's samples which may be seen at Parel or Ajmer.

8. The Agent does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

R. WOOLCOMBE,
Chief Storekeeper.

CHIEF STOREKEEPER'S OFFICE,
PAREL BOMBAY, *18th September, 1906.*

CITY OF BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

DEBENTURE LOAN, 1906.

ISSUE OF RUPEES TWENTY LAKHS FOUR PER CENT. DEBENTURES GUARANTEED BY GOVERNMENT UNDER SECTION 80 OF THE ACT, REPAYABLE IN 60 YEARS.

NOTIFICATION.

WITH the sanction of the Government of Indiaand under the provisions of Sections 53—59 of the City of Bombay Improvement Act, 1898 (assented to by the Governor-General of India), the Board of Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay hereby invite Tenders for Rs. 20 lakhs bearing interest at 4 per cent. per annum repayable in sixty years. It is not the intention of the Trustees to issue any further Debenture Loan during the current financial year.

2. Under Section 20 *(f)* of the Indian Trusts Act, 1882, the High Court has passed a rule authorizing the investment of Trust Moneys in Debentures issued by the Board.

3. The guarantee for the fulfilment of the Board's liabilities provided in the Act includes, *inter alia*, a provision (Section 80) that, in the event of any default being made by the Board in any payment of interest due under Sections 52 and 54 (including interest on the Board's Debentures) or in setting aside and investing any sum required for the Sinking Fund for redemption of the Board's Debentures, the Accountant General of Bombay or other Officer for the time being performing the duties of the Office of the said Accountant-General shall make such payment or set aside and invest such sum as may be required to be paid or to be set aside and invested.

4. Debentures will be issued payable to the applicant or order and will be transferable by endorsement.

5. Debentures will be issued for sums of Rs. 500 or multiples of Rs. 500, as may be required ; they will be repayable in Bombay in sixty years from 2nd October 1906 and will bear interest at 4 per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly on 1st January and 1st July in Bombay at the Head Office of the Bank of Bombay or, subject to notification, at the Office of the Trustees in Bombay.

6. The interest on Debentures enfaced for payment of interest in Calcutta will be payable at the Head Office of the Bank of Bengal.

7. Three per cent. of the amount tendered for to be deposited on application ; the balance to be paid on or before the 31st day of December 1906.

8. Anticipated interest at 4 per cent. per annum will be paid from date of payment in full up to 31st December 1906 at the time of issue of Debentures.

9. The deposit of 3 per cent, will be returned (but no interest will be allowed) if no allotment is made and will be forfeited if an allotment is not fully paid up by the 31st day of December 1906.

10. Tenders should be submitted in a sealed cover addressed to the Secretary, Bombay Improvement Trust, and subscribed "Tenders for Improvement Trust Loan." They will be received up to 12 o'clock noon (Standard Time) on the 2nd October, 1906, and they will thereafter be opened in the presence of the Chairman of the Improvement Trust.

11. Printed Forms of Tender can be obtained on application to the Secretary.

12. The Board reserve to themselves the right of refusing Tenders if they consider the rates offered to be too low, but, subject to this reservation, allotments will be made in full to the highest Tenderers, and rateably to the Tenderers offering the lowest rate accepted by the Board. Provided that no allotment will be issued if the amount distributable to any Tenderer is less than Rs. 500.

13. As a condition to the issue of this loan, the Board under Section 55 (2) of the City of Bombay Improvement Act reserve and set apart Debentures to the aggregate nominal value of Rs. 1 lakh for the investment of Sinking Funds, and the rate at which the Trustees will take up the Debentures so reserved will be the average rate of the accepted tenders.

By order of the Board,
W. N. SHILSTONE,
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OFFICE OF THE BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST,
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H. M.	H. M.		H. M.	H. M.
7 35	19 35	D. Poona ..... A.	6 15	21 30
22 10	0 20	A. Belgaum. ...D	17 37	7 0
23 30	0 35	D. D-. ... A.	17 19	6 42
6 0	14 57	A. Hubli .....D.	12 50	0 5
6 25	15 7	D. Do. .....A	12 40	23 40
10 37	19 7	A. Harihar. ...D.	8 38	19 8
10 52	19 15	D. Do .....A.	8 20	18 46
22 55	5 50	A. Bangalore ..D	22 30	7 10
Mixed.				Passenger.
23 40	7 45	D. Do .....A.	17 15	5 40
6 40	13 25	A. Mysore.....D	11 40	21 20
				Mixed.

For further alterations in the Timings of Trains over this Railway from 1st October, 1906, see the Short Time Tables exhibited at Stations.

W. B. WRIGHT,
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Intending Applicants may inspect printed copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association at either of the above places.

ALEX. J. AGABEG,
Manager.

NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY.

SEALED TENDERS superscribed " Tenders for the SUPPLY of LEATHER WASHERS " are invited to reach the Office of the Chief Storekeeper, at Lahore, not later than the 8th October, 1906 (at which place time and date they will be opened), for the SUPPLY of 5,000 LEATHER WASHERS for Carriage and Wagon Axle Boxes, otherwise called Axle Box Dust Guards " 1,000 of each size.

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3. Tenders should also be made for similar washers in Solid Leather (one thickness.)

4. The Manager does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender or to assign any reason for non-acceptance.

LAHORE 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1906.

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10,000	Do.	" Ogla " (cork tipped), in packets of 10 each.
10,007	Do.	" Viola," in tins of 100.
10,003	Do.	" Flora " in tins of 100.
10,000	Do.	" Byron " gold tipped), in tins of 50.
8,350	Do.	" Minerva," in tins of 50.
8,850	Do.	" Venis " (cork tipped), in tins of 50
8,400	Do.	" Victoria " in tins of 100.
8,300	Do.	" Ida " (gold tipped), in tins of 100.
8,400	Do.	" Apollo," in tins of 100.
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THE Asiatic S N Co's steamer Nadir, 2,041 tons, Captain W C Bird, sailed yesterday from Calcutta via Coastports, with a general cargo.

THE steamer Pekin, 3,900 tons, Captain J. Mitchell, arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta 28th August via Coastports, with a general cargo and coal.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Oolabaria, 3,436 tons, Captain J V Le Graude, arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta, with a general cargo of coal.

THE steamer Dagru 620 tons, Captain A Lunde arrived in harbour yesterday from Bangkok 7th September with a cargo of teakwood.

MEN-OF-WAR & ROYAL INDIAN MARINE SHIPS.

In Stream.

R I M S Canning Lieut ..Combr Morland.....R I Marine
H M S Lapwing.....Comdr Barker.....R Navy

IN GOVT. DOCKYARD.

R I M S Lawrence .....Comdr Bowden .....R I Marine
Taroe Torpedo Boats .....Royal Navy

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR—SEPT. 27.

Assaye .....Seymour .....Trasdeport
Baron Dalmeny .....2903 Dodds .....28-9 K & Co
Dagru .....620 Lunde.....F P C & Co
Goodwin.....2822 Clucas.....W & A G & Co
Kola.....310 Flannagan.....M M & Co
Kalibia.....3149 Walker .....
Lama .....735 Moxen .....M M & Co
Mohammadi.....1222 Storey .....B and P S N Co
Madura.....3751 Scott .....M M & Co
Nuddea .....1944 Willsher .....Zbar.....M M & Co
Nowshera.....1961 Elton .....M M & Co
Nasori .....940 Nearby .....B & P S N Co
Naderi .....1168 Gray .....B & P S N Co
Oolabaria .....LeGrande.....M M & Co
Pekin.....3900 Mitchell .....Shah S N Co
Ranjee Ramjee.....1329 Carter .....Shah S N Co
Shahjehan .....2566 Davison .....Shahb S N Co
Shah Nazam.....3151 Hinchley .....Shah S N Co
Shah Najaf .....2932 Mitchell.....Shah S N Co
Shimla .....3400 Scott .....M & Co
Sofala .....1626 Symmers .....M M & Co
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VESSELS IN DOCK.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Dat.	Agents.
A	Majidi	1837	Coates	R S porte	27-9	D P S N Co
B	Delta	4742	Daniel	China	2-10	P & O Co
C	H M Shah Najam	2781	Miller	Jeddah	4-10	B S N Co
F	City of K'chi	3543	Snew L'pool	3-10	K Nixon & Co
G	Secunder	1073	Main	Mauritius	6-10	H S Sidick
K	Hindoo	3156	Jones	Hull	3-10	F Muir & Co
M	Peninsular	2920	Palmer	Aden	5-10	P & O Co
N	Abassi	2678	Borden	Antwerp	1-10	R A Willis
P	Babul Cassim					
Q	Sultan	1781	Burmeister	Zbar	5-10	A Strendes
Pundit		3052	McLennan	Java		T M & Co

H W P D

Courland .....360 Ebrahim.....G port.....27-9 B S N Co
Kayeri.....553 Mohamed .....Bnagar.....29-9 B S N Co
Mahanadi .....547 Hussein.....K'chi.....29-9 B S N Co

M D D

Shah Najaf .....2941 Mitchell.....Joidah .....S S N Co

Offside N

Monsoori .....1735 Hannah .....repairing.....B & F NCo

VICTORIA DOCK.

1 Marienfels.....3600 Zittesen .....K'chi.....28-9 Glade & Cc
3 Massilia .....3250 Thampson L'pool ..3-10 W & A G & Co
4 Kagoshima Maru..4404 Pyne .....Kobe .....29-9 N Y Kaisha
5 Wensleydale .....2308 Sharp.....Hamburg .6-10 T Morrison &Co
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ARRIVALS.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander	From.
27	Kalibia s.....	Walker	Calcutta Sept 15
	Dagru s.....	Lunde.....	Bangkok, Sept 7
	Oolabaria s.....	LeGrande	Calcutta, Sept 16
	Pekin s.....	Mitchell.....	Calcutta, Aug 28
	H M S Lapwing	Barker	Colombo, Sept 21

DEPARTURES.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
27	Dumra s.....	Cuthnah	Persian Gulf
	Majidi s.....	Coates	Jeddah, &c
	Nadir s.....	Bird	Calcutta

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The B I S N Co's steamer Matiana, passed Lisbon on the evening of the 25th instant.

IMPROVEMENT WANTED.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—It would seem that the City Fathers do not know the existence of a quarter of the City known as Matharpacady in the Mazagaon district, or if they do they apparently consider their cries for some slight attention to their needs, as coming from the inhabitants of another planet. I therefore hasten to inform them that Matharpacady is a pretty little village inhabited mostly by Christians, and is perhaps the only quarter where sky-scrapers are unknown. It is sweet and clean and represents the Bombay of long ago. The Municipality however, does its best to mar its many attractions by overlooking its wants. There is only one approach to it, and that is by lane to the South, inhabited by all sorts and classes of people. The whole of this lane is no man's land in the eye of Municipal Government, and is in a very filthy condition. The odours and exhalations issuing here especially in the mornings are indescribable. Then as one gets in, there are regular boulders to get over and it is indeed a cruel sight to see ladies and little mites struggling to find their way in and out of the village. Cannot the Municipality just spend a couple of hundreds of rupees and level up this lane? Besides causing sore inconvenience, I am sure it is the source of much sickness and disease The lane is very badly lit, and becomes dangerous to walk through after nightfall. The last but not least is the water supply, which was very meagre but which has entirely ceased for over a month A representation was made to the proper quarters some time ago, but it would appear that it has found its resting place in the Limbo of Municipal oblivion.

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SECURITIES—			
2½ per cent. Consols	86 3/8	=	— 1-8
3 per cent. Rentes	96 1-2	=	unchanged
3½ per cent. Indian Sterling Loan	103	=	— 1-4
3½ per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	65	=	unchanged
SILVER—			
Spot in London	31 11/16	=	unchanged
3 months hence	31 9/16	=	— 1/16
Spot in New York	63 3/8	=	unchanged
EXCHANGES—			
Paris cheques	25-18	=	— 1
Berlin cheques	20-44 1/2	=	— 1/4
New York Demand	4-63 1/2	=	— 1/8
DISCOUNTS—			
Bank of England	4	pr. ct. =	unchanged
3 months' sight Bank Bills	4 1/4	" =	"
6 months' sight Bank Bills	4 1/4	" =	"
3 months' sight Fine Trade Bills	4 3/4	" =	"
6 months' sight Fine Trade Bills	5	" =	"
INTEREST—			
Day to day loans	4 1-4	=	+ 1/2
7 day market loans	4 1-8	=	+ 1-8

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Rs. 7-20 do Bombay.
Rs. 11-80 do Madras.
79-10
At 1s. 4 1-16d.
Minimum rate received 18 per cent. average rate 16-06.
Telegraphic Transfers—
Rs. 21-20 were allotted to Calcutta.
Rs. Nil do Bombay.
Rs. — do Madras.
21-20
At 1s. 4 3-32d.
Minimum rate received 18 per cent. average rate 16-09.
Total amount sold during week Rs. 1,01,70,000
Amount to be allotted next week „ 1,00,00,000
Extra allotments bills on Bombay Rs. 50,000 at 1s. 4 3/32d.

SUGAR—
German granulated double bags c.f. India 12-4 1/2 Oct.-Dec. sellers firm.
WHEAT—quiet.
RAPESEED—
Yellow Cawnpore 44 1/2 A.-M. done firm.
Brown 51 1/2 + 1-4 Sept.Oct. sellers firm.
LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 42 Sept.-Oct. buyers firm.
COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 8 3-8.

WOOL AUCTION.

The Liverpool Wool Auction opened yesterday. Number of bales offered 25,600. Good attendance of home and foreign buyers. Clean white slightly easier. Wasty, especially Grey,s 1/4 to 1/2 lower.

IN LIVERPOOL—		
Cotton Market closed		quiet
East India		steady
Manchester		steady
Total Sales		5,000
Spot		5-36 + 6
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown		9 3/8
Sold on speculation and for Export		500
Imports		7,000
Futures closed		steady
Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.
5-07	5-01	5-00
plus 3	plus 2	plus 3
Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
5-01	5-02	5-04
plus 3	plus 2	plus 2
Mar.-Apr.	Apr.-May	May-June.
5-06	5-07	5-09
plus 2	plus 1	plus 1
Receipts at U. S. Ports		44,000
Do. last year		46,000
Exports to Great Britain		30,000
Do. do. Continent		19,000
IN NEW YORK—		
Spot		9-60
Futures, month of Dec.		9-14 + 5
Do. month of March		9-38 + 6

* Advanced owing to firm cables and to heavier exports.

IN NEW ORLEANS—	
Spot	9 3/16
Futures, month of Oct.	9-17 +2
Do. month of Dec	9-17 +2
Tone at close	steady

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 24 hours ending 6 p.m. on 26 Sept.

Cotton	319	bales.
Wheat	6,103	cwts.
Linseed	1,847	do
Rape, Rai and Mustard	1,464	do
Gingelly seed	70	do
Poppyseed	nil	do
Groundnuts	—	do
Castorseed	2,703	do
Rice	1,725	do
Myrabollams	80	do
Cottonseed	3,649	do
Mowraseed	239	do
Gram	2,852	do
Joowar	1,492	do
Maize	13	do

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Gold bullion Rs. 11,67,360.
Ex s s "Arabia" from London.

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BIRTHS.

CHETHAM—September 23, at Bangalore, the wife of Mr S F Chetham, Madras Police, of a daughter.

MACNAB—September 15, at Brightlands, Simla, the wife of Major A. J. Macnab, I. M. S., Civil Surgeon, of a son.

SIDGWICK—September 21, at Ajmer, the wife of C. K. D. Sidgwick, D. S. O., of a son.

DEATHS.

ANTHONY—September 22, at Allahabad, Caroline Sarah Anthony, widow of the late Michael Anthony, aged 77 years.

REEVES—September 23, at Allahabad, Henry Edwin Reeves, aged 54 years.

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New Gaiety Theatre, Bandmann Opera Company, 9-30 p.m.
Social meeting, Wilson College students.

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.—Yesterday afternoon a special meeting of the members of the Bombay City Improvement Trust was held in the Trust's Offices in Esplanade Road, Fort, when reports of the Land Committee, and of the Finance and Establishment Committee and other business of a formal nature were considered.

THE B.S.P.C.A.—During the month of August last 3 horses and 3 bullocks were sent to the Pinjrapole as being unfit for work, at the instance of the Agents of the Bombay Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, with the permission of the Presidency Magistrates and with the consent of the owners ; while 16 horses and 98 bullocks were sent to the Bai Sakarbai Dinsha Petit Hospital for Animals at Parel for curative treatment during the month. 348 offenders were fined for cruelty to their animals, 3 cartmen were fined for overloading their carts and 20 offenders were warned and discharged by the Magistrates.

BIRTHDAY OF KING AND QUEEN OF PORTUGAL.

TO-DAY being the anniversary of their Most Faithful Majesties ; the King Dom Carlos and Dona Amelia of Portugal, there will be a solemn thanksgiving service, at 7 p.m., at the Portuguese Church of St. Francis Xavier, Dabool. His Excellency Viscount de Wrem, Portuguese Consul-General in Bombay, will hold an official reception at the Consulate, at Apollo Bunder, at 7 p.m. Tomorrow evening the Gremio Portuguez will celebrate their Royal Majesties' anniversary with a *Soiree dancante* at the Sidick Hall, Victoria Cross Road, Byculla, at which H. E. the Consul-General will assist. The Real Institute Luse-Indiano holds a concert, followed by a dance at the Framji Cowasjee Institute in honour of the anniversary of the foundation of the Institute and of the birthday of their Majesties the King and Queen of Portugal.

THE DUSSERA FESTIVAL.

YESTERDAY the Banks, Law Courts, and public and private offices were closed on account of a Hindu holiday known as the Dussera festival, which is also called Durga Puja or Durgotsava, and is supposed to be connected with the autumnal equinox. On this day, in commemoration of the victory of Devi, the wife of Shiva, over the buffalo-headed demon, Mahishasur, her image, after having been worshipped for nine days, is thrown into the water. During the nine days preceding the festival, Wagheri women, dressed in their best clothes, parade the streets of the native parts of the town, calling out for orders to sing the songs of the "Nortas." They form a ring and dance and sing in chorus round a basket, placed in the middle of the street or square, which is supposed to contain an image of Shiva, decorated with flowers and besmeared with coloured powders. Their dance, which has, of course, to be paid for, is a grotesque one, the language of the songs being a peculiar dialect of the Wagheris, which attracts crowds of people who enjoy the spectacle. The preceding nine nights are also characterised by similar singing in chorus, in which people of the working classes among Gujerati Hindus participate, and dance and sing in their streets till late hours. It is also customary among Gujerati Hindu women to keep up a dance and sing religious songs and "gurbas" in connection with the festival.

It was on the Dussera Day that Rama marched against Ravan, the demon-king of Ceylon, on which account the ancient Marathas seemed to have selected it as a proper period for commencing their plundering excursions. The Rajputs also observe the festival and go through the form of worshipping their horses and their guns. The Hindus and other natives decorate their horses with flower on this day on account of the legend that Parth, one of the five Pandavas, who was pre-eminently skilled in the art of chariot-fighting and had a peculiar fondness for horses, washed his favourite milk-white horses on this day, placed garlands of flowers round their necks, and patted them with his own hands in token of foudness and affection for the animals. Another ceremony connected with the festival is that of killing a young male buffalo at sunset. The privilege of killing, it is accorded to the patel or chief person of the village ; and in some places even the Rajah strikes the first blow. The custom of killing a buffalo arose, it is believed, from the goddess Devi having killed the demon Mahishasur on the tenth day of the month of Ashvin. The sacrifice was accompanied with the sprinkling of the buffalo's blood on the sowars' horses and over their guns and accoutrements. Early on the morning of the festival in recent times, the Hindus, having bathed, perform the worship of their household goods, or those who consider themselves to belong to the military race, worship the implements of war, and ask protection for them throughout the year under the impression that, to the propitousness of the sword, they owed every material prosperity. At noon they take their meals with their relatives, and in the afternoon go to the temples in procession with their friends' relatives, and children, dressed in holiday attire. In Bombay, Mumbadevi and Bhuleshwar are thronged by Hindus of all classes, each bearing in his hand flowers, and a branch of the Aptar or Palas tree, which is symbolically regarded as representing gold, and is held highly sacred and indispensable in commemorating the festival. On their way homeward, the holiday-makers visit their friends and relatives, present them with a leaf or two of the imaginary gold, concluding with an embrace, and receive similar treatment in return. The vicinity and sides of the temples are surrounded by the vendors of leaves of the Palas tree, who squat themselves there with baskets full of branches tied up in small bundles. At night illuminations are made. In connection with the festival, a meeting of Hindus was held at Madhav Baug in the afternoon. There was vocal and instrumental music, and gymnastic exercises were gone through by the members of different "mellas" or clubs. A procession was then formed, which started from Madhav Baug and repaired to the temple of Luxminarayan at Gowalia Tank, the singing of hymns being continued all along the way to the temple.

SPORTING NEWS.

CRICKET.

Bombay Gymkhana vs. Baronet Cricket Club.

This fixture was played off yesterday, and as the Parsee Baronet C. C. XI included several Presidency players, a considerable interest was evinced in the game. It also being a holiday, a number of spectators turned out to witness the contest. The Gymkhana were not fully represented, Messrs. Powell, Monteath and Cheetham not playing.

The Baronet Captain winning the toss took advantage of the splendid wicket and sent in Massani and Mistry to face the attack of Coombs and Stileman. The batsmen began well and 20 was signalled very quickly, but a couple more and Massani was cleverly held by Sinclair, at mid-off, off Coombs. Meherhomji filled the vacancy and again there was rapid scoring, the telegraph indicating 40 in 40 minutes. When 50 was up Sinclair was put on to relieve Stileman, and McCallum was given charge of the leather at the Market end. The new bowlers succeeded in capturing one wicket each, but not before 70 was up. The batsmen did not seem to feel any sting in the bowling, and the century was signalled soon after. At 114 Dubash, trying to steal a run, was run out, Elliot returning very smartly. Meherhomji was playing a very careful game, though two of his skiers were missed. His account showed 75 to his credit at 130, when Coombs relieved Sinclair, off whom McCallum missed Meherhomji, at point. When the score reached 140 Stileman relieved McCallum. At the time of adjourning for luncheon, the total stood at 155 (for 4 wickets), Meherhomji's contribution being 86 (not out).

Game was resumed after luncheon, Meherhomji and Mody facing the bowling of Coombs and Stileman. The batsmen appeared quite at home and played with ease. The Gymkhana men being out in the field during the hottest part of a very hot day, did not appear at their best and the Baronet Captain who had fairly settled down was running up his score with frequent boundary strokes. He put up his century very soon after the resumption of game and declared the innings closed when the total reached 205. He carried out his bat for 120. He played a free game and had given three chances when his score was about 60. His partner Mody carried out his bat for 17.

The Gymkhana commenced their venture at 4 o'clock, Aston and Stileman defending the wicket against the attack of Madon and Dubash. They began well and ten was telegraphed immediately, but at 15, Dubash succeeded in removing the bails and Stileman returned to the tent. Elliott joined Aston and began a free game. 20 was signalled and matters seemed to improve when Aston responding to Elliott's call returned run out. (22-2-16) It was rather unfortunate ; for he had fairly settled down and put up a total of 16 to his account. Cadell partnered Elliott, but replying to the latter's call he was run out, before he could score anything (22-3-0). Sinclair filled the vacancy and started with a double. He put up three more and Elliot began in right earnest, punishing the bowlers mercilessly. The game became lively and Elliot and Sinclair between them ran up the score to 50. One run more and Sinclair was very smartly stumped by Massani, while trying to hit Madon. He came back with a score of 18, managed in a comparatively short time. (51-4-18). Coombs, the next defender of the wickets, opened with a double. Elliott who, all the while was thinking of fast-scoring, backed Coombs to attempt a second out of a short stroke and was too late to reach the destination, and he was the third man to return run out. (60-5-5) Priestley partnered Elliott and returned with an account of 5 to his credit, Madon clean-bowled him with a very decent curly one from the off-side (68-6-5). McCallum took his place at the wicket and a livelier game was displayed. Both the players began punishing the bowlers, and pulled up the total score to 91. Elliott then returned with the top score, on his side, of 29 runs. MacDonald and McCllum were together, and soon the latter returned after a merry innings of 13 put together in stylish form. Sanderson went out determined to slog the slightest loose ball given him. He started well and added half a dozen more to the total when MacDonald, who had just saved the O, came back to the pavilion. Leahy, the last man, filled the vacant place and materially assisted the Cricket Secretary who had given a good account of himself. The latter played with a dash and was the second best contributor to his side with 20. Leahy carried his bat for 7, and the Gymkhana ended their innings with 119.

The game was lost by 86 runs.

The scores are :—

BARONET C. C.

F. Massani, c Sinclair, b Coombs	12
D. Mistry, st Priestly, b McCallum	25
R. C. Meherhomji, not out	120
D. M. Bela (Capt.), c Coombs, b Stileman	17
A. Divecha)	
M. Mulla ..)	
J. Warden ..) Did not bat.	
Wadia ..)	
S. F. Madon)	
Extras	19
Total	205

GYMKHANA BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. E. Coombs	14	2	65	1
C. G. Stileman	12	3	44	2
R. L. Sinclair	8	1	32	1
R. E. McCallum	9	0	45	1

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C. G. Stileman, b Dubash	2
A. H. S. Aston, run out	16
R. E. A. Elliott, b Warden	29
P. R. Cadell, run out	0
R. L. Sinclair, st Massani, b Madon	18
R. E. Coombs, run out	5
R. Priestley, b Madon	5
R. E. McCallum, b Warden	13
C. M. D. Sanderson, c Meherhomji, b Warden	20
Capt. MacDonald, b Warden	1
A. E. B. Leahy, not out	7
Extras	3
Total	119

PARSEE BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. Dubash	11	1	57	2
S. F. Madon	22	5	52	2
J. Warden	11	4	27	3

PRESIDENCY vs. MADRAS CRICKET CLUB.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, SEPTEMBER 27.

At Chepauk yesterday evening the Presidency College defeated the Madras Cricket Club by 46 runs.

BOMBAY ROVERS TOURNAMENT.

Final—Royal Scots vs. East Lancs.

A DRAWN GAME.

THE final of the series of matches, which have for the last fortnight or so delighted appreciative crowds on the Cooperage, was yesterday evening played between the Royal Scots and the East Lancs, and resulted in a draw. The conditions for play were perfect, a bright sun shining on the springy stretch of turf which has lately been the meeting place of half Bombay and a gentle breeze in no way affecting the play. The game throughout was keenly contested and right up to the last minute might have ended in favour of either side. The Royal Scots perhaps had a little the better of the exchanges, but the Lancs in spite of the small promise they gave earlier in the Tournament of annexing the coveted trophy are a greatly improved team and a little luck might well have brought them out top. Had the goal they obtained right at the start not been ruled offside the Scots would indeed have had their work cut out. As it was the Lancs were the first to score and only a careless disregard of possibilities on the part of the Lancs' backs enabled the Scots to make a draw of it.

Booth kicked off for the Lancs and the ball being taken down right away some good passing resulted in Dunn heading into the net amid applause. The Referee however much to the disappointment of the crowd ruled him offside. Up and down play followed till some pretty passing between the red stockings was spoilt by Wright being offside. Booth for the Lancs then became dangerous and Naylor put a long kick into Boyce's hands. The Scots eventually getting away the ball went out to Wright but he centred weakly and Smallwood cleared. The Scots still passing Kennaway kicked behind, some real good play by Hartley of the Lancs was loudly applauded. The Lancs had an opening, but Foster cleared and the Scots taking the ball up Newbiggin came within an ace of scoring. Wright soon after put in a nice centre and Lowe was clapped for some good clearing work. The Scots still pressing had one or two excellent opportunities. They should in any case have been awarded a free kick, Lowe taking a good few more than two steps with the ball in his hands, Amidst wild excitement the Scots again very nearly scored, but Lowe cleared well. The Lancs then came on and Ainsworth received some well deserved applause for a clinking shot which skimmed the bar. He soon after again put the ball in dangerously. Lancs continued to attack and Boyce was called upon to fist out a dangerous one. After a visit to the other end, the Lancs secured a corner and a good head-in missed the net by a narrow margin. Booth soon after raised the ball high over the timber and half time arrived with the score.

Royal Scots	Nil.
East Lancs	0

On the re-start the Scots got away and looked as if they intended to settle things just as soon as possible. Parkes secured and in attempting to stop him Smallwood was laid out for a short period and continued to show signs of grogginess for some time after play had been re-commenced. Cottam had an opening but failed in his shot. Both teams were skying the ball too much and several passes went wrong. The Lancs then warming up a combined attack gave Booth an opportunity, but though he kicked at it again and again he was unable to force through the screen. The ball going back to Naylor however that player put in an excellent shot which beat Boyce altogether. (1-0.) The Lancs then secured a corner which came to nothing but the Scots were far from beat. An attempt by Kennaway looked like going behind and the Lancs' back stood aside to let it pass. Wright however was on it like greased lightning and brought his side up level (1—1). Up and down play followed till Webber had a good try with a long side kick. He soon after put in another scorch which Lowe, throwing himself along the ground saved magnificently. A long centre into the goal mouth by Wright was thrown clear and the Lancs then became dangerous till Dunn kicked behind. The Scots securing a corner a good kick by Parkes came very near going in. Webber put in another of his excellent long shots which took Lowe all his time to turn round the post. Up and down play followed and with the closing light both sides se

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THE MAHOMEDAN DEPUTATION.

"WE must show the Mahomedans they have not lost our sympathy and that we value their loyalty and intelligent co-operation." It did not need the *Times* or any other English journal to tell us this, or to give a hint to the Viceroy as Deputation should be. That it will be straightforward and sympathetic goes without saying. The Mahomedan community is as sure of this as we are, and it is somewhat unfair to them to suggest that "if the Indian Government does not retain the confidence of loyal Mahomedans they may expect to see them join the Congress or set up an agitation of their own." The *Times* has just begun again to devote attention and space to Indian affairs, but its lucubrations are not likely to prove of much tangible value if they are to be judged by the telegraphic summary which is published to-day. Mahomedans joining the Congress would not be such a very terrible calamity as our contemporary apparently considers. Congress is not an anarchist or socialist organisation. Our contemporary seems to think it is, or perhaps that it resembles the revolutionary associations which are working such havoc in Russia. But it is not, and never will be. Men who talk much work little, and so long as the Congress is merely an annual gathering of would-be orators, most of whom would not travel five miles to attend unless their expenses were paid, there is no need to fear that it will degenerate into anything more formidable or more powerful for evil than it is to-day. People at Home attach very much more importance to it than we who see it and hear the orations of its members. It is a remarkably harmless institution. Even its most perfervid speakers only raise a smile with right-thinking people in India. It is only of the utterances of the individuals who come out from England under the belief they are helping the weak, that serious notice is taken, and it would be well if those individuals were held responsible to the law—especially those who are in receipt of Government pensions and who come out principally to see old friends and "to give another dig" at Government in regard to some unsatisfied grudge, or further to ventilate some possible personal grievance.

The English people of late have been given much pabulum of the kind the *Times* is offering it. In a discussion of "Abdul Hamid, Sultan and Khalif, and the Pan-Islamic Movement, a recent writer goes out of his way to stir up needless alarm among our brethren in England. They are told that there is a growth of new political feeling among the peoples of India, irrespective of race and creed that can no longer be ignored. And then they are given information as to the Congress which is described as a movement hitherto chiefly confined to the Hindus and which has received but little support from Mahomedans for very obvious reasons. "The movement is an outcome of Western education and its avowed object is to secure for India a larger measure of self-government in accordance with British principles." If this be so, why object to Mahomedans joining? Well, says the writer: "its success would enure mainly to the benefit of the Hindus who not only form the vast majority of the population, but have shown, on the surface at least, much greater adaptability to Western learning and to Western ideas." That being so, the Mahomedans would not stand to gain much by joining, though we are glad to note that the writer is bound to admit that individually some of the best results of Western education have been obtained amongst the Musalmans, and Aligark College, for instance, has produced a number of able men of the highest character as well as of great intellectual attainments. Owing to the greater rigidity of their creed, it is said, the Musalmans as a whole have been left behind in the race. Many of them therefore—and rightly—"view with suspicion and even with hostility, a movement which is largely controlled by Bengali Babus, whom they specially despise as an essentially unwarlike and servile race." Although it is all the more significant that within the last year or two the Congress movement has suddenly gained considerable ground among the Mussalmans, and even in the Punjab, which has always been one of the strongholds of militant and conservative Islam, it must be remembered that these Mussalmans are mostly young, for whom there is still hope of salvation, and does it not seem absurd to suppose that any considerable number of their sensible, thinking men will so far forget their own interests as to seek membership of an Association which benefits the Babu first and foremost?

The Nawab Mohsin-ul-Mulk, in a contributed article in this journal, put the case very plainly when in writing of his compariots in Eastern Bengal he said: "The Mahomedans have been left so far back in the race of progress that with the state of things prevailing in the province, they could not hope to stand side by side with the Hindus. Their position, therefore, necessitated a change of conditions so that they might compete with their rivals. It was true that a few Mahomedans were awakening to the necessity of education and got some degrees at the University, but the ways of progress were blocked by a nation which would never see them advance." The Nawab did not deny that there was the Government, but he confessed that there was none among the Mahomedans to keep Government in mind of their rights and privileges and if there was a reference made here and there in a memorial or address to a Lieutenant-Governor or a Viceroy, it generally contained unmeaning and improper requests which could hardly be expected either to draw the attention of Government or to be of any use to the Mahomedans. The deputation, which will shortly wait upon the Viceroy will make no improper or unmeaning requests, and we venture to say they will receive no unmeaning answer. That the Mahomedans have legitimate grievances no one can deny. They have been overlooked on numerous occasions, and we were at pains a couple of months ago to cite a number of occasions on which their claims to consideration were lost sight of. That they are only the half-educated or uneducated classes who feel themselves aggrieved is often said to be the case. To recapitulate our remarks on a former occasion, Mahomedans have been asked by their own journals: "If the opponents of the Government and the agitators of opposition are rewarded, why are we, who have steadfastly upheld the Government, left out in the cold?" Two parallel cases of the two native members of the Education Commission, were quoted. The one who opposed the Bill was "taken" into the circle of the titled ones, and the other who supported it, Nawab Syed Hoosein Bilgrami, was "left" in the cold. In Bombay one respected Mahomedan citizen, who had twice officiated as Chief Justice of the High Court, remained plain Mr. Budruddin Tyabjee, with not even a Kaiser-i-Hind Medal to adorn his manly breast. Then at the time of the recent Royal visit, how few were the recognitions to Mahomedans, compared with those bestowed on Hindus? At Aligarh it was pointed out the Prince paid a visit to the Institution, founded by Sir Syed Ahmed, and was brought into contact with the leading representatives of the best-educated, and best-disposed of the Indian Mahomedans, by means of whose liberality this Institution was maintained, extended, and brought to its present prosperous condition. But, remarked the leading Mahomedan journal, whilst honours or gracious marks of recognition followed the visits of Their Royal Highnesses to almost every other part of India no such substantial mark of favour was bestowed upon the patrons of Aligarh. Again at Madras, three of the Reception Committee were selected for presentation to His Royal Highness—a European, a Hindu and a Mahomedan. The two former were decorated, but the latter was left unnoticed. Can it therefore, we were asked, be a matter of surprise that this non-recognition of a large proportion of the Indian population should cause dissatisfaction! Illustrious to reconsider the position of the Mahomedans. Their colleges and schools now turn out a large number of eminently qualified men and, in the creation of a new and essentially Mahomedan province, the Government of India showed that it realised the necessity of offering further encouragement to the followers of Islam. There was no necessity for the homily the *Times* preaches, and there is, as we have said, no reason to suppose that the Mahomedan deputation will not receive a satisfactory as well as a straightforward and sympathetic reply to their address.

FOREST MUSEUMS IN INDIA.

IN a recent interesting account of the Dehra Dun Forest Museum, the proud distinction was claimed for that institution of being the only Forest Museum in India. This is not an accurate statement, for Southern India has for several years possessed an excellent Forest Museum at Coimbatore, initiated and elaborated by Mr. H. A. Gass, of the Madras Forest Department. Mr. Gass began his work quietly and unostentatiously, and quietly and unostentatiously he has carried it forward till the institution now contains a very large and very varied collection of exhibits, that will amply repay study and investigation. The exhibits mostly represent collections made in the forest divisions of the Southern Circle of the Madras Presidency, *viz.* North and South Coimbatore, North and South Malabar, South Canara, the Nilgiris, Madura and Tinnevelly. A useful and well-arranged catalogue of the exhibits has been drawn up by Mr. R. D. Richmond, Assistant Conservator of Forests. The Museum was informally established early in 1902, and shortly after the earliest specimens were got together and systematically arranged, H. E. Lord Ampthill, then Governor of Madras, was invited to pay a visit to the Museum, during his tour in Coimbatore. His Excellency made the first entry in the visitor's book, recording his delight to have been the first visitor to the Museum. Subsequent to His Excellency's visit, the Museum was thrown open to the public. Specimens arrived from the start in such large numbers that before long it became necessary to enlarge the accommodation originally provided. The Coimbatore Forest Museum now boasts of something like three thousand specimens, representing several series, the first of these consisting of over three hundred specimens of timber, bamboos, etc. The timber specimens themselves are well worth studying. There are exhibits of teak, blackwood, sandalwood, satinwood, ebonies, jack, Indian walnut, portia, bastard sandal and several other timbers, highly valued in the trade.

Among the specimens particularly noticeable is a section of a splendid teak tree, presented to the Museum by the Cochin State. Calculating by the rings, the tree must have been about 450 years of age when it was felled. Another noticeable specimen is a section of a rosewood tree, also from the Cochin Forests, and presumably 410 years old. There is also a section of a *Gluta Travancorica* tree, which has a deep blood-red wood. It is said that the late Sir M. E. Grant Duff, when Governor of Madras, ordered an entire suite of furniture of this wood. Another series of exhibits consists of the fruits and seeds of Forest trees, fibres, gums and resins, vegetable dyes and oils. The fibre specimens represent nearly ninety different varieties, while there are about forty varieties of gums and resins and about thirty samples of oils. In another series, we find bamboos, canes, twigs, creepers, etc. Then there are sections containing geological, entomological and ornithological specimens, and among these are very striking collections of bird's eggs and butterflies and moths. The series representing Forest trophies is another deeply interesting one. Other series consists of weapons used by jungle tribes, ornaments worn by such tribes, snares and traps made by them, pictures and photographs of hill and jungle people, forest scenery and so on. One set of photographs illustrates various parts of the saw mill, dam, tramway and wire rope, and operations of sawing, tramming, and the like at Mount Stuart. The Madras Government recognised the importance and education value of the Coimbatore Forest Museum by sanctioning a new building as a special habitation for the Museum. Further, by a gracious act of recognition, H. E. Lord Ampthill, while Governor of Madras, ordered that the institution should be styled "The Gass Forest Museum." As would be seen from our telegrams the new Governor, Sir Arthur Lawley opened the new building on Tuesday last.

THE TRADE OF BURMA.

A NOTABLE point in connection with the annual report on the Maritime Trade of Burma is the promptitude with which it has been issued while the requirements of the day have compelled its amplification in many respects. Three years ago there was a steady increase in almost all branches, mentioned in the report of the year, coming from the United Kingdom. Now there is a far larger amount of foreign competition and the tables given are of a different character. By still including the coasting trade, which is practically non existent as far as the real question of imports is concerned, the aggregate sea-borne trade is again a record. One point which makes the report unsatisfactory is that the figures give no real indications of the country of production, the classification being according to the country of export as judged by bills of lading and everyone knows that several foreign firms like their goods to be transhipped at English ports. Thus cigarettes which continue to be imported into Burma in greatly increasing numbers, although credited to Singapore, really come from Egypt and America. Imports of unmanufactured tobacco are on the down grade and the two combined seem to show that the cheroot trade of Burma is being slowly killed. The United Kingdom, we are told, contributed 80 per cent. of the total value of the foreign-made piecegoods. This was good, but it was not so good as formerly and must be discounted by the fact that foreign competitors again improved their position slightly under the head of coloured, printed, or dyed piecegoods. A very large proportion of the wines came from the United Kingdom, principally the products of Spain and Portugal, which had been bonded—not made—in London. "The export trade in raw hides," says the Commissioner of Customs, "has been increasing by leaps and bounds," and this is attributed to the fact that the animals, being better nourished than Indian animals, their hides are better suited for the leather work of motor-cars. But the British share in the trade of Rangoon is becoming smaller and smaller. Last year the share shrank to 32·78 per cent of the whole, imports having decreased by forty-seven lakhs and imports by nearly three and a half lakhs. There would seem, to be some reason therefore for the German man-of-war "showing the flag" at Rangoon. Already that city has a large number of German traders and the flag was, no doubt, to cheer them up. The British flag, on the contrary, is there all the time and as a stimulant it seems to have lost some of its efficacy. Burma must look to it or there will be very little British trade at all.

THE P. & O. Company's s.s. "Oriental" with the homeward Mails of the 22nd September arrived at Aden at 10 p.m., on September 26.

THE P. & O. Company's s.s. "Mooltan" with the outward Mails of the 21st instant left Suez at 4 a.m., on September 27.

HISTORIES of Railway Projects including Tramways, corrected up to the 30th June, 1906, has

Mr. Abraham, I. C. S., Assistant Commissioner of Umballa, is down with enteric. This is the sixth case among young Civilians this summer.

A FAREWELL dinner to Sir Arundel-Arundel will be given at the Viceregal Lodge on Wednesday October the 3rd.

H M. S. LAPWING, under the Lieutenant Commander A. B. Barker, arrived in harbour yesterday from Colombo which port she left on the 21st instant.

During the week ending September 25 seven chests of opium were removed from Warehouse in Bombay and being purchased by the farmer at Sholapur. During the same period 94 1/8 chests were imported for Indore and two hundred from Ahmedabad.

THE Austrian Lloyds steamer Maria Valerie, from Trieste, left Aden on the morning of the 26th instant, and is due at Karachi on the 2nd October afternoon. The same Coy's steamers Triests, from Bombay, arrived at Colombo on the afternoon of the 26th instant.

THE Consul-General for Portugal Viscount De Wrem will hold a Reception, followed by an evening party at the Portuguese Consulate, Apollo Bunder, at 9-30 p.m., to-morow in honour of the Birthday of their most faithful Majesties the King and Queen of Portugal.

IT seems desirable to point out that the various programmes which have appeared regarding the Amir's movements in India are all more or less simply intelligent anticipations. All that is definitely known is that the Amir arrives at Agra on the 9th of January and that he visits Delhi where he will remain for about six days.

HIS Excellency the Governor of Madras will leave Ootacamund on his second tour to the Mysore State, North Arcot and Chingleput on Friday, the 12th proximo, and will reach Madras on Saturday, the 27th proximo. This is some days sooner than His Excellency at first intended to return to Madras.

A correspondent writes to the "Times of Ceylon" anent the record of the well-known Ceylon Colt, Tom Kelaart, as a bowler, which he says, is "probably unparalleled in the world." Kelaart, according to this authority, has between 1889 and 1905 bowled in 275 innings and captured 1,284 wickets at an average of 5 runs each.

A GLASGOW newspapers conveys to its readers the startling information that "the Calcutta Police are required to occupy their spare time in catching sharks in the Hooghly." This interesting fact is new, but it no doubt helps to explain the tired look which one so often sees on the face of the *paraculli*, says a Calcutta paper.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending September 22 was 776, giving a death-rate of 43·85 per annum per thousand as against 24·84 the corresponding period of last year, and 44·29 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 86 died from fevers; 41, plague; 1, small-pox; 21, cholera; 2, leprosy; 73, phthisis; 35, diseases of the nervous system; 153, affections of the respiratory organs; 53, diarrhœa; 35, dysentery; 47, stillborn; 108, old age and debility; 16, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows:—Jain, 23; Brahmin, 25; Lingaet, 1; Bhattia, 5; Hindu of other caste, 353; Hindu low caste, 101; Musalman, 151; Parsee 29; Jew, 7; Native Christian, 25; Eurasian, 1; European 7; and other and unknown castes, 1. The total number of births was 445 as against 474 the corresponding period of last year, and 403, the average over the past five years.

THE Journal *Otazbina*, the organ of the anti-regicides party, in Servia, on the 5th instant published an anonymous letter signed "Colonel," in which it is declared that if the Government does not place all the regicide officers on the Retired List by the 27th October, all the officers belonging to the anti-regicide party will leave the army.

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CRICKET AND CRICKETERS.

THREE GREAT PLAYERS.

A CRITICISM,

BY

G. L. JESSOP.

(*Captain of Gloucestershire County Eleven.*)

IN taking three such illustrious names as K. S. Ranjitsinghji, the Hon. F. S. Jackson, and A. C. Maclaren, it is peculiarly appropriate that they all three should have been inseparably connected with each other at some period of their careers. It was under the leadership of Jackson that Maclaren served his apprenticeship at Harrow, but some years later we find the position reversed both in the Gentlemen v. Players' matches, and the international contests. Last season, for some reason which it is not my intention to discuss in this article, the old order of things was reverted to, with the startling success which is still fresh in our memories. Even at the present moment prejudice is rife against Orientals, but before the advent of Ranjitsinghji into the sporting world there existed a social barrier between East and West at the 'varsities which augured possible evil for the future. Much of this distaste was effectually removed when Ranjitsinghji received his blue at the hands of Jackson, and it is not too much to say that the brilliant Indian batsman has done not a little during his short career towards knitting closer together the two races.

RANJITSINGHJI.

Although the youngest of the brilliant trio of cricketers who form the subject of my sketch, Kumar Shri Ranjitsinghji has, in a comparatively short time, won his claims to be regarded as the finest batsman of present day cricket. This, when we consider the records of such great cricketers as Maclaren, Fry, Jackson, Hill, Noble and Trumper, is an achievement of which the Indian may be justifiably proud. Day in and day out, season after season, Ranjitsinghji has been a marvel of consistency—a consistency effected despite the extraordinary brilliancy of his cricket.

No one could ever accuse him of over-cautiousness, although when occasion arises he can play the stone wall game with a patience not to be surpassed by a Barlow or even a Bannerman. It is just this adaptability which has placed him on the topmost pinnacle of fame as a batsman. There are some players who give one the impression of being undefeatable, and the best illustration of this class is Ranjitsinghji. Even on the stickiest of wicket he rarely seems discomfited. There is ease in his "stance" at the wicket, and with every movement of his body, whether for the purpose of a leg glance or a late cut—or even in that usually laborious stroke "the pull." His wonderfully keen sight enables him to decide a little quicker than most people as to what stroke is to be put into practice, and consequently he is rarely caught in two minds. To find the blind spot with Ranji is therefore a matter of some difficulty. Every stroke is made with an absence of hesitancy which almost gives one the opinion that the stroke was premeditated, and that he was endeavouring to forestall the bowler. He does employ this latter policy when opposed to bowlers with a high trajectory such as Tyler, the old Somersetshire player.

Although he makes no practice of running out to meet the bowling, yet in no sense of the world could Ranji be termed a fast-footed player. Cricketers may learn more from him in one day about the nice matter of the placing of one's feet for the proper execution of particular strokes, than they could from weeks of diligent watching of any other batsman. It is this particular matter of feet placing which has helped to make Charles Fry the wonderful player that he is.

There is no stroke of which Ranjitsinghji has not obtained a thorough mastery, but it was more particularly in his method of dealing with balls on the leg ride of the wicket that he first took the public fancy. He opened out the great possibilities of "on side" play which had hitherto been confined to somewhat narrow limits. Balls which other leg only, he despatched to the boundary to fine leg merely by a deflection of the wrists. There are no limits to his strokes on the legside, and it is a most difficult matter to successfully place the field for him. He is the high priest of unorthodoxy, and is the direct opposite in that respect of his old 'Varsity captain,

F. S. JACKSON,

who is a worthy disciple of all things orthodox. As a batsman one does not associate brilliancy, in the strict sense of the word, with last year's English captain. His career throughout has been marked by a stolidity that nothing seems capable of shaking. Though he has never achieved the fine averages of Ranjitsinghji he has shown himself to be possessed of powers of determination which seem rarely to fail him on great occasions. His cricket last season in the International matches will linger long in the memories of those privileged to witness it. Watchfulness has been the key note of his success, and although his batting may lack the brilliancy of Ranji's or the masterfulness of Maclaren's, yet his lack of impetuosity—call it what you may—has enabled him to be the saviour of his side on occasions when brilliancy and masterfulness have utterly failed. Jackson will go down to posterity as one of the greatest Test match players, and will be equally notorious for his fortune with the toss.

In him optimism is personified. He goes to the wickets, thinking not so much as to what he can do, but as to what the bowlers cannot do, and that is to get him out, unless he gives his wicket away. And this he very rarely does. He endeavours to play every ball in the most correct fashion, and he seldom, if ever, indulges in an unorthodox stroke. There is something very workmanlike in the manner in which he shapes at the wicket, even though he does at times give one the impression that the bowling is better than it really is. He does not possess any stroke peculiar to himself, but by reason of his strong back play he is one of our best batsmen on bad wickets. The Australians have never held an opinion of his powers as a bowler but that sensational bit at the Trent Bridge on a perfect wicket must have convinced them that there is more in it than meets the eye. On a wicket which gives assistance to the bowler, Jackson is at times unplayable, and on any wicket he is difficult to negotiate. His little prance up to the wicket—slightly reminiscent of George Giffen—and his graceful body swing leaves nothing to be desired as regards ease. Since his 'Varsity days—excepting for an occasional gruelling in the Gentlemen v. Players' matches—long bouts of the bowling do not come his way, and it says much for the bowling strength of a county in which he figures as only a second change bowler. He is a keen leader, as considerate to his own side as he is chivalrous to his opponents, small wonder that he is popular. In the matter of declaring an innings closed he is perhaps a little diffident, being rather apt to hold a too flattering estimate of his opponents' ability. However, this is a fault on the right side.

ARCHIE MACLAREN

is somewhat dissimilar in temperament to his old school skipper, on being a bit of a pessimist off the field. But once on it he takes a more hopeful view of matters, and is the embodiment of encouragement to tired bowlers and jaded fieldsmen. The most serious of situations will provoke him to mirth, and between the fall of the wickets, his oratory on the position of affairs—be it bright or doleful—would do credit to the most valuble of members of the House of Commons. For Archie can talk and—he does. As a batsman he is as cool as the proverbial cucumber and one would never accuse him of being the possessor of nerves. If anything he is rather inclined to the other extreme, and on occasions holds the attack opposed to him rather cheaply. Often he gives one the impression of being bored with the idea of making runs, and having got fifty seems quite content with his lot. One could never accuse him of playing for his average. To give an extreme instance of how lightly he considers his innings, on one occasion in America he quickly substituted the handle for the blade of the bat, and actually scored a boundary by means of this starting method of meeting the attack. At this particular moment there was nothing in the game, otherwise Maclaren would hardly have tempted Providence in this unique manner, for at all times he plays to win, being a good sportsman. Holder of the world's record for the highest score he is likely, now that the closure rule has come into force, to hold it for many a long day, at any rate in our three-day matches.

His pose at the wicket is graceful, and his style is forcible. In forcing a good length ball on the on-side he has perhaps one equal—but only one—in the brilliant Australian, Victor Trumper. Taking Maclaren on all wickets he is the best type of English batsman that we possess. The Australians have a lively respect of his abilities, and make no secret of the fact that they would sooner see the back of "Mac"—as he is called all over Australia than any other of their opponents. And that there does exist some reason for the inspiration of this respect, Test match records—especially on the other side—shew.

He has no superior as a field tactician and is a past master in the great art of management of the bowling. His excellence does not stay at his batmanship, or his captaincy, for he has been for many years one of our finest fieldsmen in the slips, and before sight twinges of rheumatism interfered with his throwing he was a brilliant outfield. Altogether he has earned for himself a niche in the shelf of cricket history, and his name will for many generations be one to conjure with.

During the course of their long association with each other—speaking at randoom—I do not recollect a single instance upon which all three have proved successful in the same match. Possible this is only a pleasure deferred, and when such a desirable event does occur, may the game be a Test match, and more important still may I be there to enjoy the treat.

NEW BOOKS.

IT is hard for a non-enthusiast to appreciate the facinations of mountain climbing. The danger, to yourself and to your guides and porters, the discomfort, and the cold you undergo in order "to achieve the somewhat barren satisfaction of arriving "at the top," of sitting there ten minutes, and then, worst of all, to have to get down again,—all these considerations seem to make mountaineering the very reverse of attractive. But Mrs. Aubrey Le Blond thinks there is no finer sport in the world than mountaineering, and has therefore compiled a book of TRUE TALES OF MOUNTAIN ADVENTURE (Fisher Unwin.) The tales are certainly most interesting, all being the actual experiences of the writer herself, or of some other Alpine Mountaineers who have, says Mrs. Le Blond, "kindly allowed me to quote at considerable length from their writings." We like the quotations from Mr. Clinton Dent's writings best of all, as they are free from the disasters which many of the other narrations contain. The popularity of this book is proved by the fact that it was first printed in 1902 and now requires a third edition. The book is illustrated with many excellent photographs, the majority of which Mrs Le Blond herself took. The printing and paper of the book are admirable, but, alas, the copy which we read was uncut, which rather took the gilt off the ginger bread.

LOVE AMONG THE CHICKENS by P. G. Wodehouse (George Bell and Sons.) The chicken does not strike one as a cheerful animal. Stevenson, in *St. Ives*, speaks of a night spent by a young gallant in a chicken house under the severe eyes of a few "British hens," and expresses his sympathy for him. Indeed, there is more solemnity than gaiety in the demeanour of a barndoor fowl, but Mr. Wodehouse has struck a jocular bread of chickens. Though they do not themselves actually contribute to the merriment of the book, they are certainly parties to it, and their fortunes—and misfortunes—are the peg on which Mr. Wodehouse hangs an admirable and amusing story of love and lovers. The book is delightfully frivolous and entertaining, and though only "light literature," it is worth a good deal more than many of the books published nowadays, which aim higher, but only succeed in being dull, or of that class which we may term "doubtful." Mr. Wodehouse serves up one or two old time, honoured tricks of romance, such as that of the infatuated lover paying a boatman to upset his prospective father-in-law, and then effecting a gallant rescue; and also that rather ancient trick of losing a golf match to win a bride. But these old tricks are well handled, while, on the other hand, the book has many an original *tour-de-force* which is highly amusing. The book is a Godsend to anyone who wants—and who does not want?—an hour or two's amusement.

THE ETONIAN, By Alice Claude Askew (George Bell and Sons.) Probably this book was suggested by the success of "The Hill." If so, "it limps after it in base imitation." While containing a careful record of the life and ways of Eton boys, and in that way no doubt commending itself to old Etonians, it has little else to recommend it. The marriage of the humelback, Tristram Staire, to Indith Harding—"a glorious and magnificent specimen of radiant womanhood," the death of Indith, Tristram's decision to "give up" their son Basil and send him to Eton, and Basil's career there, are all marred in the telling by a dominant undercurrent of sentimentalism, which is unpleasant in any book, and specially so in a book of school-boy life. To quote an instance: "The child was asleep. The sound of his soft, low regular breathing, fell pleasantly upon his father's ears, as he hung over the little cot, as tenderly and lovingly as the child's dead mother might have done, gazing with rapt eyes upon the handsome boy, whose cheeks were flushed with sleep, whilst one small dimpled hand peeped the from under the coverlet." Even if this sort of thing is permissable in a father who has lately lost his wife, it is certainly not so when his son is nearing manhood, nor in the son, when his father dies. Yet on both occasions in this book we have it again. "Father" says Basil, in a conversation during the holidays, "do you think mother ever thinks of us?" "Do I think," returned Tristram—he flung back his head triumphantly, "I know she does, Basil," he cried. "I can fancy her walking among the lilies and roses of Mary's garden, and then making her slow gracious way towards Heaven's Gate, leaning down over the golden staircase, and gazing down—gazing on you and me"—&c., &c. We call this sentimentalism.

It is also perilously near nonsense. Readers will find plenty of similar stuff if they read the book.

A MONTE CRISTO IN KHAKI, By Colonel P. H. Savage. (George Bell and Sons.) is, as the title suggests, the story of the an adventurer, who, in the guise of a soldier, successfully perpetrates most of the crimes in the calendar. His well-simulated sobriety and steadiness gain him the confidence of his superiors, and while serving in the American army during the Spanish War, and in the anti-Boxer expedition, he has ample opportunity—which he utilizes to the full—for robbing everyone who trusts him. In the end he amasses a fortune, appropriates another man's wife by arranging with her that she shall poison her husband, and apparently spends the rest of his life in affluence. Altogether, Bernard Reilly, the Monte Cristo in Khaki, is a most unloveable scoundrel, and the company he keeps, when he is not on duty; is as unpleasant as he isimself, the military details in the book, and some of the local descriptions, are interesting, but would have been more so had not the author adopted a rather loose and jerky style of composition.

In "HER OWN PEOPLE," Mrs. Croker got hold of a novel idea, and made the most of it. This cannot be said of *The Swingcott Miss Mowbray* (George Bell and Sons). The story of Cinderella has been served up in novels so many times in some form or another, that we wonder at a novelist of Mrs. Croker's ability returning to it. The story centres round the fortunes of Ella Mowbray, the daughter, by his second wife, of Henry Mowbray of Shortlands. Ella's father and mother are killed in a carriage accident when she is a baby, and the care of her devolves upon her two grown-up step-sisters, who treat her exactly as Cinderella in the story book was treated, and add injury to insult by appropriating most of the money her father left her. In the end the fair Princess turns up with, of course, a fair Prince, and Ella, no doubt, has a good time after all. Mrs. Crocker's drawing of the elder sister, Augusta, is distinctly good, and her style of writing as pleasant as ever.

Mr. A. Steel, writing to the "Times" from Aman, says: "Ten days ago I had the pleasure of driving from Moffat to St. Mary's Loch with a Mr. Lundy, a man of ninety-three, who at the age of ten had the honour of dining with Sir Water Scott. He was also about that time a pupil of Dr. Duncan, of Savings Bank fame, at Ruthwell Manse, where he met Edward Irving, the founder of the Irvingite Church, and received his blessing."

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...OMEDANS ...ND THE VICEROY.

THE "TIMES" ON THE COMING DEPUTATION.

STATESMAN-LIKE RECEPTION NEEDED.

PROBABLE EFFECT ON THE PRESENT SITUATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 26.

The *Times*, in an article, says: We must show the Mahomedans that they have not lost our sympathy and that we value their loyalty and intelligent co-operation.

A straightforward, sympathetic answer, it says, from the Viceroy to the National Mahomedan Deputation, which will wait upon him, might do much to clear the air, and the Mahomedans would unquestionably prize and regard it as a charter. If the Indian Government does not retain the confidence of loyal Mahomedans, they may expect to see the Mahomedans join the Congress or set up an agitation of their own.

INABILITY OF THE DACCA NAWAB TO BE PRESENT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPTEMBER 27.

The Nawab of Dacca was yesterday successfully operated on his left eye by Major Parry. He was therefore unable to proceed to Simla to join the Mahomedan Deputation.

MYMENSINGH MAHOMEDAN'S PRAY FOR A DEFINITE DECLARATION OF POLICY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPTEMBER 27.

At a general meeting of the Mymensingh Anjuman resolutions were passed in the same spirit as those at the last Decca meeting, respectfully requesting Government that an early declaration be made as to whether the policy indicated in the Lyon Circular will or will not be acted upon in order to relieve the Mahomedans from a depressing suspense.

THE OUTLOOK IN CUBA.

President Palma Resigns.

GOVERNMENT BY COMMISSION EXPECTED.

PREPARATION FOR EVENTUALITIES.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 26.

The President and Vice-President of Cuba will tender their resignations to Congress to-morrow. All the Ministers and Heads of Departments have already resigned.

It is stated that Cuba will be governed by a Commission appointed by the United States.

President Roosevelt has ordered every available Marine to Cuba.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 27.

Mr. Secretary Taft has sent an ultimatum to the disputants in Cuba, threatening that America would establish a Military Government in Cuba, unless they listened to reason. The Cuban Government hurriedly consented to negotiate with the rebels leaving the disputed points to the arbitration of Mr. Taft.

THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION.

General Kaulbars Upholds Jewish Massacres.

CONTRADICTING THE TSAR'S PROMISE.

ALARM AT ODESSA.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 26.

Governor-General Kaulbars has alarmed Odessa by a remarkable speech, encouraging pogrom-makers. Replying to a deputation complaining of the Union of the Russian people for massacring peaceful citizens, Jews and Christians alike General Kaulbars said the members of the Union were the Tsar's best sons whom the Government esteemed and the citizens were thus punished for tolerating revolutionaries in their midst.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 27.

General Kaulbars in his speech at Odessa further said that in the event of an assassination of even one member of the Union of the Russian People Odessa would be inundated with blood.

THE ABERDEEN UNIVERSITY.

Quarter Centenary Celebration.

GREAT CELEBRATIONS.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 27.

Great celebrations took place at Aberdeen yesterday on the occasion of the quarter centenary of the foundation of the University. 150 foreign delegates were present

Their Majesties the King and Queen will to-day open the new buildings and laboratories the gift of Lord Strathcona and others.

Sydney Smith wished to adopt as the motto of the *Edinburgh Review*. "We cultivate literature on a little oatmeal." Aberdeen University does not apparently, see any connection between literature and oatmeal wrote home paper commenting on the coming celebration which are now taking place. For the banquet to celebrate the fourth centenary of that famous seat of learning—to which 2,400 guests have been invited—90 turtles, weighing 6,000lb., are being brought from the West Indies, to find their end in soup "says the paper." Provision for the succeeding courses are on the same splendid scale. Messrs. J. Lyons and Co., London, have the arrangements in hand, and are erecting special kitchens, and employing a staff of nearly 700 persons for the occasion. About 4,000 silver entree dishes and 50 tons of China glass linen, and silver will be used. And the guests will sit down to tables decorated with the most beautiful flowers.

THE scheme for the re-organisation of the Bombay Police has been sanctioned by the Secretary of State for India. The jurisdiction of the Punjab Railway Police will be restricted to the lines in their own Province, and portions of the North-Western Railway in Sind will be separated from control of the Punjab Police.

THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

Election Nomination.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, SEPTEMBER. 27.

Mr. Hughes, the Barrister, who played a most prominent part in the investigation of the Insurance scandals has been nominated Republican candidate for the Governorship of the State of New York.

JAPANESE SEALERS ON THE BEHRING SEA.

Unprecedented Number.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 27.

A British warship which has returned to Vancouver reports an unprecedented number of Japanese sealers in the Behring Sea not hampered by a *modus vivendi*.

WESTRALIA AND THE UNION

Purposal of Withdrawal.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 27.

The Westralian Assembly by 19 against 13 has passed a Resolution that the Union of the State with the rest of the Commonwealth is detrimental to Westralia, and that the time has arrived for submitting to the people the question of withdrawa from the Union.

GERMAN SOCIALIST GONGRESS.

Threat to Follow Russian Methods.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 27.

At the German Socialist Congress, held at Mannheim, Herr Bebel caused a sensation by a speech in which he declared that a proclamation of a general strike in Germany as a weapon to obtain reforms or in the event of the Government intervening against the Russian revolution was impossible, because it would be doomed to failure.

THE INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW.

Wireless Telegraph and Floating Mines.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 27.

The Institute of International Law at Ghent has adopted articles prohibiting of the use of wireless telegraph by neutrals in the belligerent zone and that such neutrals when captured and be treated as prisoners of war and their ships balloons may be confiscated.

The laying of fixed or floating mines on the high seas is also prohibited.

GENERAL SIR FRANCIS WINGATE.

Audience of the King.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 27.

General Sir Francis Wingate who leaves England on Saturday for Cairo, has been summoned to an audience of the King at Balmoral to-day.

THE CURE OF CANCER.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 27.

The International Cancer Conference at Frankfort has resolved to found an International Society to combat cancer.

MAILS TO THE FAR EAST.

Canadian Route Preferred.

The British and German postal authorities at Shanghai announce their intention to send their mails *via* Canada in preference to *via* Suez.

HONORS AT ABERDEEN.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 27.

Principal Sime of the Punjab University, Artin Pasha of Egypt, Matsumura of Tokio and Sir John Jardine have all been elected Honorary Doctors of Laws of the Aberdeen University.

THE JOCKEY CLUB STAKES.

The Result of the Race.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 27.

The following is the result of the race for the Jockey Club stakes of 10,000 sovereigns:—

Beppo	1
Keystone II	2
Plum Tree	3

ALLEGED CASE OF CHEATING.

Proprietor of an Opera Company in Trouble.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SECUNDERABAD, SEPTEMBER 27.

Mr. John Ross, the Proprietor of Meade's Opera Company, was charged before the Cantonment Magistrate of Secunderabad with cheating

Mrs. Montgommery, in her evidence, stated that Ross had engaged six rooms in her Hotel from the 4th to the 12th of August, and that the amount due her by Ross was Rs. 313 and annas 12. Ross Company left on the 12th, but he told her that he was not going with the Company and that he was stopping behind to make collections and that he would pay her everything before leaving.

Upon their promise he did not detain Mr. Ross' uggage. Ross returned to the hotel after seeing his Company off by train. He afterwards went out for a drive and returned at about 8 p.m., and said he was dining out, and wanted a carriage to be sent for him at 10 o'clock. On examination of the room which was occupied by Ross it was found his luggage was gone and as he did not at all return to the Hotel next day she informed the police, by whom he was traced to Bangalore and brought back in police custody.

Mrs. Chaplin gave a similar account of two other members of the same Company who had stopped at her house, for whom Ross had promised to pay, having signed a bill to that effect.

Up to the present time, Mrs. Montgomery said she had not been paid.

Mr. Ross has been remanded to custody.

"CARRINGTON, K. G."

Duke of Rutland's Successor in the Garter.

THE WORLD'S PREMIER ORDER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 26.

Earl Carrington has been created a Knight of the Garter.

The Earl of Aberdeen has been created a Knight of the Thistle.

By ARLEY.

For the first time in history the signature which forms the headline to this article will appear on ministerial note paper. Earl Carrington has scored a triumph both for his family and his name in being made a Knight of the Garter, for no Carrington has ever worn the Blue Riband in all the five hundred and fifty years of its history. Lord Carrington, as a Knight of the Garter, will fill the stall in St. George's Chapel to-morrow which was recently rendered vacant by the death of the Duke of Rutlam K. G. The Garter is, of course, the first Order in the world. It is not now given to anybody below the rank of Earl, and the entry into the ranks of the Garter Knights of a peer representing a hitherto un-Gartered family, is, from a heraldic point of view a matter of no small - interest. For the last two centuries the Garter had become almost a family order, the exclusive prerogative of Kings and princes, and of Cecils, Talbots, Devereux's, Leveson, Gowers, Villierse's, Gordon Lennox's, Cavendishes, Howards, Somersets, Vanes, Spencers, Churchill's, and Grosvenors. It was of the Garter that a famous character in ducal history said that he had a great regard for the Order because "There's no d——d merit about it!" Though this trite dictum is no longer a fact it contains a germ of truth, for years there has only been one Knight of the Garter who had achieved the necessary rank of and earl to his services to the State—Lord Roberts. And not until the advent of Lord Carrington has there been a Knight who has been raised to the strawberry leaves from a lower degree in the Peerage. There have of late been only three Liberal Knights, the Earls of Rosebery and Elgin and the Marquess of Ripon but Lord Oarringtou willmake a fourth

But Lord Carrington, is one of the most popular of Radical peers. As Governor of New South Wales his popularity was partly due to the fact that he was never much given to public speaking. He delivered a few words at the first public dinner which he attended out there. When he sat down he heard a fat man opposite, who had suffered from the eloquence of Lord Carrington's predecessor, murmur audibly: "Thank the Lord, he can't speak." In his early days Lord Carrington took part in an extraordinary scene in Marlborough-street Police Court. He had been slandered in a now forgotten paper, and had revenged himself by horsewhipping the editor. He was therefore charged with assault, and it became known that his solicitor had brought into court certain papers containing slanders on the Royal Family, which were to have been published by the editor in question. A desperate attempt was made to seize these documents from Lord Carrington's soliciter. The doors of the Court were closed, Lord Carrington leaped the rails of the dock, and pounded the assailants on their heads.

The ex-Lord Chancellor, then Mr. Hardinge Giffard had an ink-pot flung at his head. With ink trickling down his face and his head badly cut he vigorously sontinued the battle, which lasted for fifteen minutes. On another occasion Lord Carrington was present at a less extraordinary contest. He perceived that a man whom he took for a "welsher," was being rent in pieces at a race-meeting held on his own land. "I wil not have murder on my property," he cried, rushing up to the crowd, "I will pay any of you whom this man may have robbed." But the man, instead of being a "welsher," was an Evangelist preacher, and was being punished for his denuciations of the race-course.

ACTION FOR DAMAGES.

Defination of "Qualified and Competent" Dentist.

LAMB vs. MIX.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SECUNDERABAD, SEPTEMBER 27.

The British Resident at Hyderabad had before him the case of Mr. Lamb *vs.* Dr. Mix, which arose out of an action in the Court of the Civil Judge of Secunderabad. who granted complainant a temporary injunction against the defendant from advertising himself as the only qualified Dentist in Secunderabad. The complainant also claimed damages to the extent of Rs. 1,000.

At the final hearing the case was dismissed. Dr. Mix, therefore appealed to the First Assistant Resident, who awarded Rs. 1,000 as damages to Dr Mix. Against the award Mr. Lamb made an application to the Resident for a revision of Major Haig's judgment. The Resident in disposing of the case said that his revisional powers under Section 622 of the Civil Procedure Code, were greater than those possessed by the High Courts in British India and permitted the case to be threshed out. If the words "competent dentist" and "qualified" had the same meaning, then any quack or herbalist might deem himself a qualified man. He held that the Lower Court was right. The defendant was a qualified Dentist, whereas the plaintiff was not, and the injunction obtained was utterly unwarrantable. The application of Mr. Lamb was rejected with costs throughout.

EXCISE REVENUE IN BENGAL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPTEMBER 27.

The Report on the administration of the Excise Department in the Lower Provinces of Bengal during 1905-06 states that the total receipts of the year amounted to 153 lakhs, which represent an increase of 11 lakhs or 79 per cent on the figures of the previous year. Country Spirits, Ganja and Opium contributed, respectively, 80¼, 27½ and 22¾ lakhs or, taken together, 85 per cent of the total revenue of the year. There was a large increase in the revenue derived from Country Spirits, amounting to over 6 lakhs, or 57 per cent of increase in the total Excise revenue. Of this increase, over 2 lakhs were obtained in Calcutta, nearly 2 lakhs in other distillery areas, and over 2 lakhs in outstill areas.

ALL-INDIA MAHOMEDAN CONFERENCE.

To be held at Dacca this Christmas.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, SEPTEMBER 27.

It has been arranged to hold the All-India Mahomedan Education Conference this year at Dacca, in Bengal, during the Christmas holidays.

The Sessions will probably be presided over by the Nawab of Dacca.

LAHORE ISLAMIA COLLEGE.

Tour of Students to Collect Funds.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, SEPTEMBER 27.

The students of the Islamia College at Lahore have formed a mission to tour through the different towns of the Punjab during the College vacation and to collect funds in aid of the Islamia College.

Notwithstanding that the students are new to the enterprise they have already collected about Rs. 7,000.

THE ARMENIAN DISPUTE IN RANGOON.

Calcutta Scheme Recommended.

TRUSTEES TO BE APPOINTED BY THE COMMUNITY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, SEPTEMBER 27.

Mr. Justice Bigge, the vacation Judge, to-day, decided the suit which was instituted and contested by two factions of the Armenian community who resorted to litigation over the administration of the armenian trust funds.

In his judgment His Honour said he would give this advice to the members of the community, namely "that at a meeting which would be held under the orders His Honour would pass later, they should drop faction animosities and splenetic ebullitions and, comforting themselves as reasonable men of business, nominate a body of seven trustees for the approval of the Deputy Commissioner and this Court.

"It may be useful if I record the finding that the present church has not been consecrated.

"A scheme must certainly be framed and it should be drafted on the lines of the scheme for the management of the property and affairs of the Armenian churches at Calcutta and Chinsura settled and approved in Suit No. 413 of 1888 in the High Court of Judicature, Fort William, Bengal. It will be settled in due course in Court and the counsel concerned will take it as an instruction from the Court that there will be seven trustees and one Warden, for I do not see the slightest necessity for appointing two Wardens. Before being finally settled in Court the scheme will be submitted for approval to a meeting of the members of the Armenian community of Rangoon, duly convened under Rule 1 of Chapter 11 of the present rules.

"It only remains to decide who will be entitled to vote at such a meeting, and at a meeting which I order to be convened within two months of this date to choose trustees for the Eleazar property and to recommend trustees for the church site the cemetery and the Arratoon Jacob property. The standard proposed by the Archbishop of Julfa is too ideal and belongs to the cloister rather than to he world.

"In Abdul Rasik *vs.* Aga Mohomed Jaffer bin Dancem, I. L. R. 21 Calcutta 666, their Lordships of the Privy Council expressed their approval of the axiom that no court can test or gauge the sincerity of religious belief and it am certainly not going to attempt this hopeless task or lay the burden on any one else of having to do so. Rule 40 of the Calcutta scheme provides an answer to the question who is to be entitled to vote, and I shall adopt that rule, merely substituting the word "Rangoon" for "Calcutta" in the second line, and it will read thus: "Male members of the Armenian community, resident at Rangoon or within a radius of 50 miles therof who having been baptized into the communion of said Armenian Church and being members thereof, whether cleric or lay, who have attained the age of 21 years, shall be entitled to vote on all questions submitted to a general meeting, except that servants employed or paid by the Committee as such or recipients of charity from any charitable institution shall not be entitled to vote. It is left to the honour of each member of the Armenian Community to carry out this rule in its entirety and most especially to those if any, who, while Armenians by birth, have become *bona fide* and conforming members of other religious communities. I have now dealt with all issues which are before me, and it only remains to say that there will be no order as to costs, as on a survey of all the circumstances of the case I do not think that it is expedient or advisable that I should make an order for costs against plaintiff who, although I think and those they represent have made many mistakes, I am persuaded acted throughout in good faith for what they believe to be best for the community at large.

THE DUSSERA FESTIVAL AT MYSORE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

MYSORE, SEPTEMBR 27.

The State procession this afternoon was full of the most vivid chromatic effects. The Maharaja rode on a State elephant with a gold *howdah*. H. H. the Yuvaraj rode by his Highness' side on a beautiful palfrey richly caparisoned, followed by the Dewan and the State Officials in State carriages. The Maharaja looks calm, collected and dignified. The bodies of the State elephants were painted grey and their foreheads were decorated with elaborate designs and bearing *howdahs* of great price and beauty, the richest *Jhools* and ornaments formed not the least attractive part of the procession.

Other details were equally striking and comprised of Cavalry and Artillery and the State *pal-khall* ceremonial emblems which accompany the State Cavalcade. Specially noticeable among these were the Imperial Service Lancers who were smoothly handled by Lieutenant-Colonel Desraj Urs. They certainly roused unstinted admiration of all on-lookers.

The decorations along the route and its approaches were of beautiful delicate silken streamers and masses of artificial flowers, strung from lines of masts with charming effect.

The procession moved along to shrill native music of numerous bands until it arrived at the *maidap* where the Maharaja alighted and performed *puja* to the Bannyan tree on which arms were piled, and then a shot at the tree with a bow and arrow.

Subsequently His Highness mounted his horse and witnessed the parade of His State troops, who saluted and fired a few rounds.

During the progress and His Highness' return at midnight the city was beautifully illuminated besides having a pyrotechnic display.

The Maharaja met an ovation at the Freemasons' Hall where the European guests had assembled to witness the procession. The ladies from the balcony strew rose petals on the Maharaja who was then presented with a magnificent bouquet. The compliment was much appreciated by His Highness, who repeatedly bowed grateful acknowledgements.

PLAGUE MORTALITY IN INDIA.

Poona Still Shows Highest Mortality.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 27.

The total number of plague seizures and deaths during the week ending September 22nd was 6,456 and 4,945 respectively, the deaths being 1,129 more than in the previous week.

The deaths in the principal Provinces numbered in the Bombay Presidency 2,918; in the Madras Presidency 20; in Bengal 69; in the United Provinces 146; in the Punjab 95; in Burma 90; in the Central Provinces 657; in Mysore 131; in Central India 687; in Rajputana 16 and in Kashmir 5.

There is thus an increase in most Provinces, especially Bombay, the Central Provinces and Central India.

The worst places are Poona City, with 1,019, Nagpur district, with 362; and the Indore State with 685; the last being for the week ending the 15th.

SOUTH INDIAN MOTOR UNION TRIALS.

The Results.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, SEPTEMBER 27.

The following are the results in the South Indian Motor Union trials held yesterday:—

A CLASS.—First—Mr. W. A. Beardsell's Franklin, 10—12 H. P. Four cylinders. Time.—3min. 57secs. Marks.—58·5 points. Mr. P. Orr and Sons' Cardillac, 10 H.P. One cylinder. Time.—4min. 10secs. Marks.—56·6 Third.—Mr. A. L. Hannay's Humber, 10—12 H. P. Four cylinders. Time.—3min. 45secs. Marks—59·5.

B CLASS.—First.—Messrs. Simpson and Co.'s Darracq, 8 H. P., One cylinder. Time—4 min. 34 secs. Marks—62·8 Second. Mr. H. C. A. Goodall's Darrac, 8 H. P. One cylinder. Time—4min. 53 secs. Marks—62·5 Third. Mr. H. M. Gibson's Star, 7 H. P. Time—5 min. 4 secs. Marks—59·4.

The distance of the course was one mile and 7 furlongs

THE BENGAL AGITATION.

PARTITION AND BOYCOTT.

Calcutta Papers at Loggerheads.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPTEMBER 27.

A sharp controversy is going on between the *Englishman* and the *Statesman*, provoked by a leader published in yesterday's *Englishman* charging the *Statesman* with championing Babu Surendranath Bannerjee in particular and supporting anti-partition and boycott agitations. The *Statesman* in its reply this morning asks his English contemporary to abandon the role of a mischief-maker between Englishmen and Natives and not to endeavour to foment enmity between Hindus and Mahomedans, which is a contemptible as well as a dangerous game, as the profit reaped by engendering strife at the cost of peace and progress cannot hope to exercise any permanent influence.

"With Newspapers as with men," says the *Statesman*, "honesty is the best policy" and it emphatically disavows any sympathy with the boycott and boycott methods.

OPEN LETTER TO MR. ANANDA CHARLU.

OUTBURST OF THE "RANGOON TIMES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, SEPTEMBER 26.

In the course of an open letter to Rai Bahadur Ananda Charlu, the *Rangoon Times* states, referring to the Swadeshi movement:—

"Alas! Has it come to this—that the great light of the India Office has not been able to find out the simple truth—a truth which a pupil of our Indian schools is quite aware of—that the same *dissatisfaction*, which beheaded a Stuart King, but withal gave the British people a constitution which is the boast of Britain and a model of the world—if tolerated and encouraged in India will decapitate John Bull clothed with the fullest disgrace and fling his quartered trunk and his work of centuries into rivers of boiling British blood to be swallowed up into an ocean of revolution, anarchy and horror, which shall be unparalleled in the scenes of modern history, and will transmit the great name of Mr. Morley as that of an accursed tyrant who loved to fiddle away when England's greatest dependency was in flames and wrought the death-doom and desolation of a most peaceful and magnificent country!

The seditious agitation in Calcutta and East Bengal is a clear prelude to his insane liberal ideas. It is monstrous that a stupendous Power involving the safety and happiness of a fifth of the human race should be suffered to hang upon an individual will."

The following is the article published by the *Englishman* of which the *Statesman* complains:—

"The policy and politics of the *Statesman* should be exposed. That paper has done far more than even the organs of extremists like Babu Surendra Nath Bannerjee or Bepin Chandra Pal to inflame public opinion and prejudice law and order, and this, not because it has any real influence or position in India, but because, being conducted by Englishmen, it created the impression, by editorial writing and the form in which it published news, that a large section of the European public in Calcutta was in sympathy with the boycott and boycott methods. The result was that the enemies of the Government, conceiving that they had allies amongst the Europeans themselves, were more and more encouraged into acts of defiance and violence. Further, as the *Statesman's* views were repeatedly wired home to Liberal papers of the *Tribune* and *Daily News* order, the Liberal party, which now, unfortunately, controls English politics, came to believe that the measures taken to protect property and the person from the attacks of students and others were harsh and unnecessary. There are probably, thanks to the *Statesman* and the correspondents in Calcutta of the papers just mentioned, thousands of well-meaning persons at home who really believe that Sir Bampfylde Fuller is a Russian administrator of the worst type, and that the Government has indulged in excesses against quite harmless school boys. We all know here in India what the facts are. How the Red Swadeshi has been used to cover lawlessness which would not be tolerated for a moment in any country in the world; how under the guise of a sentimental attachment to their country some so-called patriots have stirred into active being a spirit of race hatred of the worst kind; how strikes have been fomented, secret societies formed, and seditious pamphlets calling on the Indians to drive the English into the sea been circulated. Against malevolent activity of this kind the *Statesman* has not had a word to say (except in one instance to which we will refer presently), but in season and out of season it has inveighed against the officials who have striven to do their duty and keep the country in peace. It joined in the yelp against Sir Bampfylde Fuller. It opened its editorial columns to fulsome praise of the men who are openly hostile to the European cause in the East, and when the tactics of the latter were exposed in other quarters it came forward to rehabilitate them and to assure them that right-thinking and sober persons were their friends.

This precious *Friend of India* published yesterday an attack on Reuter's Agency for sending home telegrams regarding the crowning and anointing incident and about "Golden Bengal," the secret society regarding which the police have made some new discoveries which will presently be given to the world. The telegrams in question are reproduced.

Continuing the *Englishman* says:—These telegrams are styled by the *Statesman* "hopelessly wrong and misleading," "exaggerated and distorted" and the Agency is solemnly warned against repeating the offence lest it should lose its high reputation for accuracy. As a matter of fact the telegrams, as the *Statesman* out to be well aware, are studiously moderate in tone, and the general result of them was to create the correct and proper impression that, whilst Bannerji business was mere comic opera, there was a general feeling of unrest in Bengal which might grow worse unless some steps were taken to check the fanatics.

But it is the correct and proper impression which the *Statesman*, during the past year has steadily striven to combat, following steadily in the wake of Mr. Surendra Nath Bannerjee and of his paper the *Bengalee*. For months past the Chowringhi journal has echoed the malevolence and nonsense of College Square. No half-educated student has more seriously taken his cue from the ex-civilian than the *Statesman*. During the ridicule that followed the crowning like him it hung its head in shame. When he plucked up courage so did the *Statesman*. Finally it came out with impertinent defence of him, on lines which had already been taken up by the *Bengalee*. The coronation was a "simple ceremony," which Mr. Bannerjee's too enthusiastic friends had misunderstood and an over-zealous reporter had misreported. Mr. Bannerjee himself was quite a moderate person whom people of all parties ought to support. The *Statesman* quite overlooked that in the course of the speech from the Throne he made statements of the kind that led to the mutiny in 1857. Then, again, in support of Mr. Bannerjee who has an enemy in Babu Bepin Chandra Pal, the *Statesman*, going back on its own policy for the past year, said that things were getting very bad in Bengal and that the Extremists should be punished. Mr. Bannerjee while claiming the right to say what he likes himself, would have Mr. Pal out of the way, for the latter made great fun out of the coronation and is now interfering in Congress matters. For similar reasons the *Statesman* want Mr. Pal out of the way. Hence the attack on the Extremists. From all this it appears that what Mr. Bannerjee thinks to-day the *Statesman* thinks a week after. It is a fine pass for a paper not without its traditions to come to—to follow dog-like behind the most discredited of all the Bengali politicians.

THE VICEROY'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Report close upon Completion.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, SEPTEMBER 27.

The Committee of the Viceroy's Executive Council, which is considering the questions relating to the procedure to be followed in the Annual Budget Debate and the possible changes in the Legislative Council, is well advanced in its deliberations.

It is hoped that the Report will be signed by Sir Arundel Arundel (Chairman) before he vacates for the Home Membership in the middle of November.

The Government of India will thereafter consider the Report and embody their recommendations in the Despatch to the Secretary of State for India.

CIVIL ADMINISTRATION IN THE PUNJAB.

Failure in the Execution of Decrees.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, SEPTEMBER 27.

It has often been remarked of the Punjab Civil Courts that when a plaintiff obtains a decree, in three out of four cases he gets nothing else. The Lieutenant-Governor, in receiving the report of Civil Justice for the past iyear, notices once again this scandalous defect in the Judicial system, in the following words:—

The result of proceedings in execution of decrees is again very disappointing; the percentage of realisations still stands at the very low figure of 24 per cent., and even after allowance is made for satisfaction of decrees, privately and without the intervention of the Courts, the general result remains highly unsatisfactory. The variations in the different districts only confirm my opinion of that. A very great deal depends on the interest displayed and the control exercised by individual courts in this branch of the work. The instructions which were issued by the Hon'ble Judges in December 1902 appear to have had the effect of improving the working of the Subordinate Courts in respect to the execution of decrees during the last three years, and His Honour hopes that the Judges will be able to devise further measures for removing what is at present a serious blot on judicial administration.

A suggestion has been put forward for amending the law so as to provide that an objector in an execution proceeding shall be compelled to deposit in Court the amount of the decree-holder's probable costs before his objection can be considered.

This will be brought to the notice of the Government of India in the event of further action being taken to revise the Code of Civil Procedure.

BANGALORE POISONING CASE.

Enquiry Adjourned.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BANGALORE, SEPTEMBER 27.

Enquiry into the Sivasamudram tragedy was continued before Mr. H. H. Sparkes, Deputy Commissioner this afternoon.

The 4th witness for the prosecution stated that he had been sent for by the accused Vardon and Mellor and ordered to bring them a girl. He then saw the deceased Narrain locked up in their bathroom. At first he said he could not bring a girl for them, for which he was beaten. Then promising to bring a girl, he went away, but did not return. Shortly afterwards the deceased came home complaining that he had been given poison by the accused.

Chikka, the 5th witness, a servant of Mellor, made a statement, partly corroborating the last witness.

The 6th witness, Bastian, Vardon's servant, deposed to Narrain, the deceased, coming to the accused's house; also to going to fetch Venkata, both of whom he left talking to the accused.

Mr. Haskell, the Chief Engineer, Cauvery Power Works, examined as a Court witness, spoke to the character of both the accused, and said he was present when the police searched the accused's house and signed a search statement. He deposed to the police finding a bottle containing carbolic acid solution in Vardon's almirah, and to Vardon pointing out the spot in the bathroom where the deceased had vomited. He also stated that Mellor left Sivasamudram without permission, and that he did not see him again till the police arrested him at French Rocks.

The enquiry lasted till 6 o'clock, when the further hearing was adjourned to the 13th of October, both the accused being enlarged on bail as before.

SWADESHI MEETING AT CHINGLEPUT.

MADRAS, SEPTEMBER 26

A meeting was held at Chingleput by Monday evening shortly after the District Conference broke up to consider measures in connection with Swadeshism when some leading members of the Conference took part in the discussion.

Hon'ble Mr. L. A. Govindaraghava Iyer addressed the Assembly in a long and interesting speech, in the course of which he said:—The statement that there ought to be a change in the present policy of the administration was not quite acceptable to him inasmuch as the people of India failed to observe their own duty in the improvement of their own industries and manufactures. He then quoted instances of raw products being carried away to foreign countries and being returned as manufactured goods for use in India. He showed how the Indian people were losing their profits in respect of such commodities. He instanced to the audience the good and active work of many European firms established all over the Presidency, such results being obtained purely on account of their co-operation. He deplored the lack of such spirit in the masses of India. In order to promote the welfare of the community at large and the country in particular, he exhorted those assembled themselves to form an association to do what lay in their power towards the improvement of the condition and industries of India. He referred in this connection to the endeavours of the National Fund and Industrial Associations of Madras and its object in assisting intending student to go to foreign countries to learn any industry that would enable them to open useful lines of business in India. He desired the public to contribute their mite to the fund on the approaching Deepavali day.

ALLEGED THEFT OF GOLD AMALGAM.

By a Discharged Mined Servant.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, SEPTEMBER 27.

A large quantity of Amalgam, valued at Rs. 10,300, recently stolen from the Mysore Mine Assay Office, was safely conveyed to a village called Venkatapuram, near Katpadi, where it was converted into sponge gold by an ex-assay boy of the Mysore Mine, named Veeraraghavelu Reddy, who was dismissed by the Company about six months ago.

Veeraraghavelu Reddy and his father, who helped him in reducing the Amalgam into sponge gold, are both reported to have died from mercurial poisoning, and it is presumed that another Mahomedan ex-assay boy, named Abdul Khan, who resigned his post two months ago, is the culprit who stole the Amalgam and delivered it to the deceased Veeraraghavelu Reddy.

Abdul Khan was arrested last week at Goribidnur, in the Kolar District, who, on being placed before the Special Magistrate of Police, applied for a remand, which was granted.

Six persons have been arrested altogether at Venkatapuram for having retained stolen property found in the deceased's house and will shortly be charged before the Head Assistant Collector at Vellore.

SAD DROWNING FATALITY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPTEMBER 27.

A Monghyr Correspondent reports the death, by drowning, of Mr. D. McCarthy O'Leary, travelling Auditor of Accounts of the India General Steam Navigation Company.

It appears that O'Leary jumped into the river for a swim and never rose again. Though immediate steps were taken to effect a rescue all was in vain.

O'Leary was an Australian, and had only been eighteen months in the country.

THE MYSORE REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MYSORE, SEPTEMBER 27.

At the Representative Assembly on Monday 218 members will be present including Mr. Petrie Hay of Matheson's Coffee Works at Hunsur, Mr. Crawford of the South Mysore Coffee Planters' Association, Mr. Bosworth-Smith of the Kolar Gold Field's Mining board and Mr. Danvers of the North Mysore Planters' Association.

PIRACY IN CHINESE WATERS.

A Personal Encounter.

IT is evident that there is a recrudescence of piracy in Southern China, and some knowledge of the pirates and their ways gained by the writer during six years in the waterways of the Canton Delta and the valley of the Si Kiang may be of interest. So far as personal observation and information goes, the pirates are of a particular race called the Hok-lo's—fishermen when times are not propitious, and pirates every chance they get when fortune favours. In the old days, they were a veritable force, more than a match for the powers that were in China, sharing plunder with the Chinese war-junks sent against them, or fighting them with success as it seemed most politic. It was not even the hunting and destruction of the pirate fleets by foreign warships, that happened from time to time, as the general supplanting of sailing vessels by steamers that made the old style of piracy on the high seas impracticable. The final lesson which seemed to have been taken to heart by the Hok-lo's was one given by a P and O captain, who, when his vessel was waylaid by a squadron of practical junks, coolly rammed them one after the other and went on his way. This piratical breed is quite distinct from the boating people, the Tanka's, who also are divided by speech and blood from the populations dwelling on land. The Tanka's are a fairly well behaved people, hard working and frugal, with many good points which the present writer had ample opportunity to become acquainted with and appreciate. To the conceited Cantonese these hard-working boat folks are outcastes, who can neither hold official rank or own land ashore, and are classed with Barbers, Musicians, Actors, etc.

Of very different blood and heredity are the Hok-lo's, and privates from time immemorial, real savages and blood-thirsty, cruel as Red Indians, utterly reckless of human life, but bold and hardy as any breed of men that sail the seas when these people found that all valuables were carried by steamers coastwise, and it was no longer practicable to stop and loot the vessels by means of junks, they changed their tactics and a gang would ship as passengers, with concealed arms, trusting to a sudden attack to overcome opposition at a riot previously selected where junks would be waiting to carry off the pirates and their booty. Many instances of this description occurred, especially on the Hong-kong-Canton and Hongkong-Macao boats, with more or less slaughter on each occasion, a later instance was the piracy of the "Nomoa" a British steamer between Hongkong and Swatow. In this case the Captain and a European passenger were killed, some of the other officers wounded, and all the Malay quatermasters killed.

With the replacement of the man power, stern wheel paddle boats by steam launches on the inland waterways, the same method of a rising of armed passengers was followed, and for a time the pirates had a rich harvest.

Koug Moon or the river gate, is a regular nest of these gentry, so also is Lo Ting, a place well up the river near Takhing. It is with a gang from this latter place the writer had a short and serious argument. It arose in this way. In the early part of 1896, the Honkong Chamber of Commerce, backed by H. B. M.'s Minister at Peking, determined to put into force the Transit Pass previleges grauted by the Treaty of Tientsin about 40 years before. A leading firm was commissioned to arrange the details, and the writer to carry out the project. Accordingly in March of that year I sailed Westward from Canton, in charge of seven junks, laden with merchandise, and a small Hoto or house-boat for myself. It was a risky undertaking as the enforcement of the Transit Pass system meant a big drop in the income of every official on the West River, and its tributaries. There were also pirates, sneak thieves and the possible defection of my own crews to be guarded against. However, after many minor and major difficulties this first venture proved a decided success and was followed by others equally successful, until just before Chinese New Year in February 1897. I found myself at Wuchow, from an up-river journey with a considerable sum of money in dollars and sycee and more in drafts on a Fatshan bank. Various considerations decided me to take the money down myself, which I set about with all secrecy possible, engaging a small express boat with nine rowers, six of whom would be always rowing night and day, and the other three relieving in turn, besides these nine men was the Shin Shewan in charge, myself and my cookboy. Getting off after nightfall, I thought that the piratical craft down river, reported to be lying there, would not get wind of me and my doings. For arms we were well provided, for besides two bhanderbusses belonging to the boat, I had a Winchester and a Colt repeating rifle and two good revolvers, one for the boy and one for myself and plenty of ammunition. All went well for the first night and day, and well into the next night, by which time we had arrived at the entrance to the Takhing Hap, or gorge above the town of Takhing, about 1 a.m. I lay down for a nap, but was awakened again almost as soon as I had got off, by the rowers stopping and a lot of whispering going on with the crew aft, the boy was also awakened and came to me in great trepidation, saying there were pirates coming up to us. Instantly I was up, and the forepart of the boat when the rowers should have been, was deserted and the boat swung broadside on to the current. The first thing to do was to turn out the bright light in front of the boat and search with sight-glasses for the intending pirates

I blessed him for his forethought for he had a glass and a whisky peg in his hand, that just tipped the balance and I felt *sure* that with only light enough to see, the man I aimed at was out of action. Hardly had the peg been swallowed, when I caught a glimpse of something moving silently out steadily up in the centre of the river and a second later felt like yelling with fierce joy for there was the longest snake boat crossing a patch of moonlight and the line of silent paddlers with the steersman standing up clear. To think was to act and the only conscious thought was, a'sho t 300 yards and and a Government allowance, no windage. The rifle flashed dulling my sight for a fraction of a second, but I was distinctly aware of seeing a dark body spring high in the air and then fall back with a splash into the water, also of a shouting. But there was a fair mark considering the light and ten ·380 flat nosed bullets still in the Winchester, also the range was right. So in less than ten seconds the ten bullets were sent "into the brown." Then arose a perfect babel of yells and curses. But the middle boat had got enough, and was doing her best to turn and get down stream. There was a sudden splutter of fire from the left, evidently from the boat I had been unable to make out, by the reports and the fact that the shots fell short of us I judged it was from revolvers. Anyhow the Colt lightning repeater was ready and the eleven bullets pumped into the place where the shots came from, as near I could judge and as fast as I could send them off, the echoes and re-echoes from the high banks of this rapid fusillade made as much noise as a little battle. So much the better and my spirits rose high, and I did not object when the crew behind set up a yell of triumph, and loud aspersions on the *pirates*. But the boat that had hitherto done nothing, the one first seen under the left bank and therefore most distant fired off a blunderbuss in our direction. The crew had noticed that *this* boat had turned and was being frantically paddled down stream. As it was well to keep them on the run, I fired steadily in their direction from the Colt. My crew now backed up and began to row after them. We could not gain on them of course, but kept them within range longer. In a short while they managed to draw ahead and disappeared, so far as we could judge up some creek. further sleep was out of the question and a large dose of hot coffee was the thing needful. Just before dawn we overtook a large passage boat that had been looted by the same gang. They had taken everything portable even to the opium pipes of the passengers, but nobody had been wounded or killed, only beaten to hurry them up in giving over their valuables. At about 8 a.m., we arrived at Tak Hing, and accompanied by some of the passengers of the looted boat, I went to the Ma gistrate's Yamen and made a formal complaint.

The Magistrate was in a great to do for he was responsible for outbreaks of lawlessness and piracy, the sight of my passport signed by the terrible Li Hung Chang did nothing to allay his fears. He promised to hunt out, and destroy the pirate gang and insisted that I should be escorted by a guard-boat right down to Canton. The British Consul there made a vigours protest and on my return journey up river about a fortnight later, I called on the Tak Hing Magistrate again, and was shown a lot of ruffians in the prison, chained to big stones. Whether these were the pirates, was a matter of conjecture, but according to the Magistrate they had confessed and were to be beheaded on the right day of the moon. This was the first and only time I was interfered with on the river.

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THE SARA BRIDGE PROJECT.

Influential Meeting at Darjeeling.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

DARJEELING, SEPTEMBER 27.

A mass meeting was held at the Town Hall today to further the Sara bridge project. It was very largely attended by nearly 300 residents. Mr. Irwin presided and said he regretted the absence of Government officials and explained the object of the meeting which was to protest against the delay caused by the Secretary of State's postponement of the question and to urge the construction of the bridge at Sara.

Mr. Norman McLeod who was deputed by the Bengal Chamber of Commerce proposed the first resolution namely, "That in view of the steadily increasing traffic this meeting is of opinion that bridge at Sara is of imperative importance and should be taken in hand without further delay." He gave a history of the project since 1890 and showed how the Government of India in 1903 had finally chosen Sara in preference to Godagiri.

The Railway Board had not put forward the plea of want of money but ascribed the delay to be due to the influence of financiers at home.

Mr. Hammond, Agent, Cooch Behar State, supported Mr. McLeod's resolution by pointing out that though fifteen lakhs has been spent on the railway in Cooch Behar the Maharaja was willing to spend more to increase the line. But the bridge at Sara was an absolute necessity for them.

The Reverend Kilgour moved the next resolution "That the enormous volume of traffic necessitated the immediate construction of the Sara bridge." They should not allow this matter to be delayed by British financiers with selfish objects. Traffic had increased by fourteen per cent in two years, he recommended agitating.

Shannon, a planter, seconded Mr. Kilgour's resolution saying they had a perfect right to demand a bridge.

Mr. Edwards, a local solicitor, moved that if Government be unable to find money, the project be permitted to be carried out by private enterprise. He said there could be no objection to a private firm working between the State Railways as the firm would construct the bridge for Government and only ask for a fractional toll on traffic. This was seconded by Mr. Wathen of the Kursoong Municipality Mr. Chaplin of the Doors plainters' Association moved that a copy, of the proceedings of the meeting be sent to the Government of India and the Secretary of State. This resolution being duly seconded was carried unaminously.

The proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks proposed by the Maharaja of Cooch Behar.

A RETIRING PRINCIPAL.

Thirty-Five Years' Service.

MR. B. D. TALATI, Principal of the Elphinstone High School, one of a few trained educationists in the Bombay Presidency, retires from Government service from to-day after active and arduous labours in the Educational Department extending over thirty-five years.

He was born at Surat in September 1849, and matriculated from the Government High School, Surat, at the early age of 16; and after a successful career at the Elphinstone College, graduated B. A. in 1869. He acquired a unique experience in the art of teaching and school management having served as head master of several schools in the presidency. On four occasions he acted as Educational Inspector at Ahmedabad and officiated as Principal, Elphinstone High School, Bombay, on several occasions. Though a strict disciplinarian, he had always been a favourite with his pupils, who thoroughly appreciated his kind loving treatment. During his short visit to England, he made a special study of the Educational methods in that country. His love of educational work is so great that, even after his retirement, he wishes to give the benefit of his experience as a teacher to the Parsi Association, that is about to start a model boarding school for the Parsis at a hill station. Mr. Talati always evinced a keen interest in the physical education of the boys under his care and was known as one of the most successful organizers of games for school-boys. He made a special study of the methods of teaching and is the author of a pamphlet on "School Managements" he has also studied the *Zend* language and literature, and preaches on the Zoroastrian religion. While at Ahmedabad, he made a special study of the Antiquities and Arts and Industries of the place. He held exhibitions twice at Ahmedabad and sent the Ahmedabad Art Works to the Delhi Durbar Exhibition. He is devoted to Botany and started small museums at Matheran and Mahableshwar, consisting chiefly of the products of the neighbouring jungles. In connection with census and famine operations his services have received public recognition. In recognition of his Census work, he was awarded a Gold Sanad by His Excellency the Governor of Bombay, and the Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Medal by the King-Emperor for his various public services. Mr. Talati is held in high esteem by the ins pectors of Schools and the Director of Public Instruction on account of his devotion to duty. Some time ago he delivered a suggestive address on "What is to be with our sons," pointing out therein the necessity of a useful technical education for the rising generation in preference to a purely literary education pursued so keenly by all classes of people in this country. In a Government resolution published two days ago, His Excellency the Governor-in-Council was pleased to place on record his appreciation of the long and faithful services rendered by Mr. Talati.

GODHRA AND MAHOMEDAN EDUCATION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

GODHRA, SEPTEMBER 24.

A meeting was held last evening in the Jahurkhan Hall under the presidentship of Mr. R. C. Brown, I. C. S., Collector of Panch Mahals, with a view to encourage education—especially female education—among the Mahomedans. The Hall was decorated with evergreens and bunting. The zeal displayed by the leading gentlemen of the Mahomedan community to held the meeting was evidenced in the attempts they were making to ensure its success. Leading members of other communities also were present in the meeting at the Anjuman-i-Islam's cordial invitation. While leading Mahomedan gentlemen of Baroda, Nariad and other places also favoured the Anjuman with their presence, The following gentlemen were present among those assembled:—Mr. R. C. Brown, I.C.S., Collector of Panch Mahals with Mrs. Brown, Mr. Wiles, I.C.S., Assistant Collector Godhra, Nawab Sadruddin Sahib of, Baroda, Shamshul-Ulma Molvi Shibli Sahib, late Professor of Arabic in the Alighar College, Mr. Gokhle, Assistant Conservator of Forests, Panch Mahals, Mr. Madhavlal, Sub-judge of Godhra, Mr. Mathurdas, Chitnis to the Collector, Mr. Morarji, Headmaster of the Telang High School, Godhra, and his first assistant, Mr. Bhimbhai, Mr. Lallubhai, Chairman of the Municipal School Board, Godhra; Messrs. J. D. Nanavati, Narandhai, Ambalal, Forest Ranger, Tapishanker, Second Assistant Deputy Educational Inspector, Panch Mahals, Ruderji Desai, Sadashivrao Devasker, Hasanbhai R. Duivala and Jafarkhan, of Nariad, Janab Kazi Ahmedmian Sahib, Dr Hamidulla Sahib, Khatib Shafimian Sahib, Molv Abdur-Rehman Sahib, Messrs, Bebalkhan, Mahammad Husain Khan, Haji Yakoobali, Abdulmajid, Ahmedmian Gulabmian, Nasarali B. Kadri, I B Kadri, Kutbuddin, Molvi Isa, Haji Isa Bhagat, Haji Musa, Ahmedbhai H. Abdul Adir, Sheikh Chand, etc., etc.

The work of the meeting commenced with the reading of the Annual Report of the Anjuman in English by Mr Janmohammad H. Sheikh, Deputy Educational Inspector, Panch Mahals and Rewakantha, on behalf of the Anjuman. It contained a short account of the previous services done by Mr Karamali Rahim Nanjiani to the Mahomedan community of Godhra since he started the Anjuman Institution in 1894, when he was Deputy Educational Inspector, Panch Mahals, up till the day of the annual meeting. It took note with sense of gratitude of the hearty support given to it not only by the Mahomedans but also by Parsee and Hindu gentlemen from Bombay and other places and especially European officers of the District. In the beginning the Institution encouraged the Mahomedan students of the local High School and the Urdu school in prosecuting their studies with scholarships and prizes and sometimes it supported even the poor widows of the Mahomedan community. But latterly its financial condition having improved it has also undertaken to spread education among the females who had had almost no education: and opened an Urdu Girls' School, teaching Urdu, reading and writing, with the necessary course in arithmetic along with the tenets of religion. The opening ceremony of the school was performed by Mr. Pratt, the late Collector of Panch-Mahals on 21st July 1904. The report also said that the school had got a Government Grant of Rs. 54 in the last year and that it is well conducted now. It brought home to the Municipality the justice of entertaining such a school from its funds, for the funds of the Anjuman are not sufficient to bear the burden of the expenses without help from the Municipality which was therefore requested to contribute towards the expenses at the earliest opportunity. Thanks were offerred to the Government for the feeling of sympathy with which they encourage the Mahomedan Community, which is backward in Education, and for the establishment of Urdu schools in several places for the spread of Education in the Mahomedan Community at the instance of its farsighted and experienced Officers. The Anjuman prayed to God to be pleased to confirm British Rule over them and to bestow long and cheerful life on His Most Gracious Majesty Emperor Edward VII and Royal Family and to continue the boon of their rule. Lastly, there was a vote of thanks to Mr. Brown for accepting to preside at the meeting, Mrs. Brown for visiting the Girls' School and encouraging female education as also for favouring the Anjuman with her presence in the meeting and to other Government Officers and gentlemen for their presence. There was also a wish for the long life of Mr. Nanjiani, whose remarkable exertions had so far ameliorated the conditions of the Mahomedans of Godhra. The account of receipts and expenditure and lists of donors and life-members were then read to the meeting.

Mr. Mahomedmian Ahmedmian then read the Gujarati translation of the Report.

Mr. Manjiani in reply to the thanks given to him in the Report said that he had simply done his duty as Deputy Educational Inspector and the result was the establishment of the Anjuman. The thanks were better deserved by Dr. Pollen, Messrs Carmichael and F. Pratt, the late Collectors of Panch Mahals and last though not the least by Mr. Brown who, despite his multifarious duties had favoured them with his presence which was calculated to give an impetus to Mahomedan education. He hardly knew how to adequately show his gratitude to Mrs. Brown for her kind presence. He hoped that the Municipal authorities would see their way to make some permanent arrangement for the permanence of the Madressa without touching the shrivelled purse of the Anjuman.

Kazi Ahmedmian, Secretary to the Anjuman, proposed to accept the Report, Mr. Umedali seconded and the proposal was carried unanimously.

Nawab Sadruddin Saheb of Baroda greeted the Anjuman for its existence in the town and advised the Mahomedans to keep harmony and kill out all internal dissensions, to avoid extravagence on delightful and mournful occasions and concentrate thereby all the forces at their command and employ them towards the education of their children which is their first and foremost duty. Shamsul Ulma, Prof. Maulvi Shibli Saheb showed his satisfaction with the Anjuman's work and said that he had much to say as a Mahomedan, but that he would put it off till after the evening prayer, the time for which was fast approaching. Munshi Haiderali prayed for the long life and prosperity of Mr. Brown, the Collector, for the helping hand lent by him to the Anjuman which was a source of great good to the Mahomedan community. Mr. Brown, the President then began his address amidst applause, and said, that it had given him great pleasure to attend the meeting for three reasons; first, because that meeting was held in the cause of education; secondly, because its object was the furtherence of female education, and thirdly, because it was the object of the Anjuman to promote female education among the Mahomedans. In the East female education was a new experiment which was very interesting. But it had advanced beyond the stage of experiment. It was especially difficult to promote female education among communities where the zenana system prevailed. But new fields of operations must be welcome everywhere. It had given him great pleasure to learn that Mr. Nanjiani who was present in the meeting had with characteristic zeal and perseverance made the Anjuman from a small beginning into what they now saw. The Institution had grown in the short interval and it had been able to infuse a spirit of progress among the Mahomedans. He congratulated Mr. Nanjiani on the stage which the Anjuman had reached. One man could not, of course, do much. All Mahomedans should give their help and hearty co-operation. Godhra was a Mahomedan town and if the population did not enthusiastically help the cause, they could not expect too much of the Anjuman. Without funds nothing could be done. He was willing to become a life-member of the Anjuman-i-Islam. He thanked all for having attended the meeting, especially Nawab Sadruddin Saheb and Prof. Shibli.

The old Managing Committee having resigned the office a new Managing Committee was appointed in which the presidentship and vice-presidentship were respectively accepted by Mr. Brown, the Collector and Mr. Wiles, the Assistant Collector. Prizes consisting of text-books were then distributed to the poor students of the Godhra Urdu School by Mrs. Brown. Finally the President and other gentlemen being garlanded and bouquets and pan supari distributed the meeting dispersed after cheers for the President, Mr. Brown, and Political Agent, Rewa Kantha. A distribution of prizes and sweetmeats to girls was made at the hands of Nawab Sadrudin Saheb.

RUGBY TOURNAMENT.

Madras vs. Calcutta.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, SEPTEMBER 27.

The first round of the Rugby Football Tournament between Madras and Calcutta will be played on the Island this evening.

The following players represent Madras:—Back, Dawes; three-quarters, Layard, Davies, Mecready and Steel; halves, Macrae and Farrar: forwards. Taich (Captain) and Hooper, Redfern, Simpson, Lecky, Deane, Orr and Wilson.

LATER,

The first match of Madras Rugby Tournament was played on the Island this evening and resulted, after an excellent and well fought game, in a victory to Calcutta by one goal, one try (8 points) to one try. Calcutta forced the game from the start and scored a try within five minutes, but it was not converted. Madras retaliated by a grand rush, which resulted in a try. Hooper missed the easiest of shots at goal. Calcutta continued to press steadily, and Arthur scored a try cleverly which Lecocq converted.

In the second half Calcutta seemed tired and Madras had much more of the game and nearly scored more than once, but Calcutta successfully kept them out.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS

THE AMERICAN GIRL.

Some of her Vagaries.

TALK AND SWADDLE.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 7.

THE apotheosis of the young girl of America is responsible for many of the indiscretions and vagaries which make her beloved at home and criticised abroad. We believe that she, like Royalty by Divine right, can do no wrong, and we are particularly touchy in regard to her. Spirited and with no cheek, it is not strange that she frequently "runs amok." As everything is forgiven to the young girl, youth becomes an elastic term, and under its kindly ægis hover women whose years are no longer few, but who do not bear the title of "Mrs." Spinsters, determinedly vivacious, keep up the fiction of youth in a remarkable manner, and abandon themselves to fads and missions with more than the spontaneity of the young girls whom they emulate. Freedom from the restraints that husbands and society impose upon matrons makes an army of women on the look-out for some fresh excitement.

Not for a moment is it admitted that the American girl's character is impugned by the statement that she is prone to run amok. On the contrary, we are dealing exclusively with the girl whose character is above reproach, whose reputation none questions. The girl with ideals is especially given to an apparently unreasonable running hither and you. She imbibes ideals at college along with a knowlege of logarithms, psychic phenomena, and Dante's poetry. More and more is there a drift in the women's colleges to place the emphasis on studies sociological and economic. The humanities in the old scholastic sense have been replaced by humanitarianism of the new century brand. The Settlement and its allied activities offer a post-graduate course and a clinic for the eager young woman who longs to investigate and experiment, at the same time satiating her soul with the sensation of doing good. In the early days of the Settlement the women workers were set down as freaks. Few of them were conspicuous for personal attractions or social gifts. Popular sociology, however, established a special order of merit for such; at least they arrogate to themselves a superiority which holds in high disdain the humdrum work of the ordinary school teacher, or the complaisance of the girl whose activities are bounded by her home and personal acquaintances, or at farthest her church.

Civic righteousness is the shibboleth of these young women, and the pursuit of it has come to be a recognised profession by which both money and glory of a certain kind are won with comparative ease and certainty. Given a fair degree of intelligence, considerable assurance and some magnetism, the philanthropist can easily distance her classmate who goes in for almost any other kind of work. The head worker of a settlement is a mighty person. She confers with powers of high degree, has a prominent seat on the platform at mass meetings, wheedles money out of the pockets of the rich, storms the city hall and the State Capitol in the interests of her pet reforms, tyrannises over the underworkers, and dictates, judges, and does what seems good in her sight for the entire neighbourhood. It is a world of mimic force, where the battle with dirt, ignorance, and sin is carried on with varying success.

Branching from the Settlement directly, or incited by it, are kindred activities in which the young woman who vaunts herself upon her independence and enterprise may wound the sensibilities of her family, shock her friends, and gratify her own desires. By its nature and purpose the Settlement must be at the centre of all that is low in the social scale, and those who work there in must endure the sight and sound of much that is painful and offensive. That those who have no direct connection with the Settlement should elect to live in such neighbourhoods passes the comprehension of women who love to keep their homes as far removed as may be from all that is foul and filthy. Yet tenement quarters of the worst type are popular with women who could afford to live, within bounds, where they will. In one of the worst thoroughfares of New York city a section was known as "Philanthropy Row," because in almost every building women of education and cultivation had taken up their abode, some to minister to the physical or spiritual wants of those who belonged in the quarter, some for the purposes of getting "copy," and others from sheer curiosity.

There are other centres where she finds pleasurable excitement of one kind or another. Art is yet too much of an infant in the United States to have any such well-crystallised following as has lusty philanthropy. It appeals far less to the American temperament. Yet under its shield many young girls longing for change find a place. The joy of living in a stable is too much to be foregone merely because one cannot paint straw. There are alleys and byways where mothers would hardly dare venture by the light of day which their daughters traverse at all hours with gay insouciance, making strange acquaintances and forming habits foreign to the revered traditions of their families.

Most of those who hold membership in the clubs of art workers and art worshippers would find it hard to justify their right to such membership. They don't try to. They confess blithely that they merely want "the atmosphere." No one calls a girl to account for having a studio when she is neither an artist nor musician. It is supposed to be no one's business any more than the fact that many girls join golf and country clubs who never go beyond the tea table of the club-house. It sounds horribly insincere, but if you were to question the girl on the subject she would put up a plausible defence.

In an old-fashioned house in a one-time severely respectable street, from which all the severity and much of the respectability has departed, a dozen or more women are domiciled for the purpose of having what they term "atmosphere." One would think they would prefer comfortable homes, which most of them could afford to have. This house is decrepit, and with little of its former dignity. The rooms are stuffy, and the halls none too clean. The young women are professional sociologists, writers, or reformers. From the centre which they have established they go forth to look at society at its worst, to lure celebrities to their rooms, and to keep as much information and glory within their own grasp as possible To a young girl fresh out from the scene, such an aggregation seems like real greatness, and she is flattered to be admitted to their presence, and longs to live as they do. In every country and every large city there are such communities of the half-baked, but nowhere, as in America, is the young girl of good family, well educated and well bred, permitted such laxity in running after sensations. There must be a special providence for the rash, earnest, restless, over-confident American girl. Seldom does she find the dangers she seems to court.

At this season of the year, when people have really more time to talk, it is interesting to note the opinions expressed on the conversation of those who are supposed to be good talkers, during the season we merely gabble and shout at each other, and have no time to express views or to be what is considered amusing. In these holiday days there is less to do, and more time to frame sentences, and thus one gets at some idea of what passes for brilliant conversation at present. I have arrived at the conclusion that it is a very good thing to specialise. One finds that some women achieve quite a reputation as wits by simply laying in a stock of riddles, which they ask at all times and in all places. Others are dubbed amusing because of their skill in mendacity. They reel off experiences and anecdotes which would simply pore one to death if they were true, but prove vastly diverting when one realises that the speaker is lying for all she is worth. I have found, too, that people with very definite opinions gain conversational eminence, and a mimic may say anything and yet feel confident of fame. Of course, there are certain topics which form the basis of all conversations nowadays; at some time or other they are bound to come under discussion. But it one wants to be numbered among those who are asked here and there because they talk well, I am sure the best plan, as I say, is to make a speciality of some one thing, however silly it may be, and though, like Mr. Dick's King Charles's head, it has to be dragged, inopportunely, into every other conversation.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D. COMMANDING.

Bombay, September 28.

207.—Inspection.—It is notified for information that the Inspector General of Volunteers will make his Annual Inspection of the Corps on Wednesday the 17th October 1906.

Full particulars of time and place will be notified hereafter.

208.—Issue of Arms.—Members of the Corps are requested to attend at Head-Quarters to receive their Arms and Equipment as early as possible. Issues will be made between the hours of 7 a. m. and 5 p. m. daily, except on Sundays.

209.—Transfer.—No. 5,790 Cadet A. Mungavin is transferred from "H" to "C" Company with effect from this date.

P. R. CADELL, Major.
Acting Adjt. B. V. R.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately, It is perfectly, harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as bright as a button. It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere.

SERGEANT BRUE.

THIS was the pretty item that the Bandmann Company set before its patrons last night, to a very fair house. That it was successful may be readily surmised from the fact that the Sergeant was played by the inimitable Harry Cole.

The story is much as follows, but the "plot" is insignificant, the main idea being to give the "officers" plenty of opportunities of sending the house into fits of merriment. Sergeant Brue of the London Police besides acting in this capacity has a small barber shop which is run by his son Michael. His daughter Aurora is a Hospital nurse, who whilst nursing Gerald Treherne has fallen desperately in love with him. The 1st act opens in Brue's Shop. It is his birth-day and Lady Bickennall (who is president of Society to find employment for young Ladies admirably played by Miss George Corlass) arrives and Brue falls in love with her. Just then Brue receives the news that his brother has died in South Africa leaving him an immense fortune. But the conditions of the will are that he cannot touch any of the money unless he becomes an Inspector. To realise this promotion he is offered help by the biggest scamp in London a criminal called Crookie' Scrubbs who promises to inform Brue whenever a robbery is connected. In the second act we find Brue on his beat in Hyde Park just outside the Green Park Hotel. Crookie points out to him a supposed Criminal. Brue is forcibly running him in, when the Inspector arrives just in time to release Mr. Crank, the Police Magistrate from Cranborough Street, who severely reminds Brue for the mistake. Crookie then arranges a robbery, paying two "cracks men" £ 50 each to pretend to rob Lady Bickennall but they clear out with the money, and when Brue arrives to arrest the robbers there are none there—he is arrested himself and locked up at Cranborough Street Police Court. After being tried he is dismissed the force and so fade away his chances of his brother's fortune. But Lady Bickennall strikes on a plan. She arranges a masked Soiree when all the guests are supposed to wear animal masks and invites Mr. Crank. During the evening Mr. Crank is lured on to play Baccarat and while the game is at its height the house is raided—by Michael Brue. Crookie and Gerald Treherne who have disguised themselves as Policemen. Mr. Crank is greatly upset, and promises Brue anything not to expose him, so he insists on being reinstated into the force and promotion to an inspector—this is gladly assented to and Brue comes into his brothers fortune. The whole "business" of the piece went with a swing from beginning to end. To-night the Company present "The Cingalee."

It has been decided to make a slight alteration in the programme, and in consequence "The Orchid" will take the place of "The Geisha" on Monday next, while The old favourite, "The Belle of New York" replaces "The Little Michus on October 9th. It is possible, however, that one or both of 16 replaced plays may be seen later before the season closes.

WHITE ANTS BEATEN AT LAST.

IT is announced that the great scourge known as white ants or termites, which destroy so ruthlessly all descriptions of woodwork, from railway sleepers to household furniture, in tropical and sub-tropical lands, can now be effectually dealt with, as, by a newly discovered process any wood may readily be rendered impervious to their attacks. Attempts have been made hitherto, to combat these pests by various means, but until now, either the means have proved unsuccessful, or the odour of the preservative used has been so pungent as to preclude its employment for constructional timbers or for furniture.

It has been claimed that some woods, such as Indian Teak, Australian Cypress Pine and Turpentine Wood, in their natural state are more or less immune from attack, but the evidence in favour of their total immunity is often so contradictory that the conclusion can only be drawn that much depends on the ground in which the trees are grown, and the species of termite to whose voracity the wood is afterwards exposed. Mr. Saville Kent points out in his very able chapter on Australian Termitidae the Jarrah grown on the Ironstone ranges is practically proof, while that grown elsewhere is by no means so. Again some species of white ants display a decided preference for certain woods, for instance the Calotermes Domesticus of the Malay Peninsula, while rarely touching woods of a piney or resinous nature, readily attacks other timbers; especially those grown locally.

A photograph which has been sent us represents two pieces of ordinary yellow deal, a most toothsome morsel to nearly every variety of White Ants. These pieces were bolted together and placed by Mr. H. N. Ridley, Curator of the Government Botanical Gardens, Singapore, some months ago in a position where termites abound.

The untouched piece had been treated in London by the Powell Wood-Process, with a termite resisting solution, which is absolutely odourless and innocuous except to insects while the other was left in its natural condition. The photograph shows that the latter has been almost consumed, while the former remains intact. The specimens were removed before the natural piece had been entirely consumed, as had been the case in other places.

This discovery is naturally of immense importance to dwellers in the tropics, and especially to Timber Merchants, Furniture Manufacturers &c., who trade with tropical countries, for merchants will now be able to guarantee all prepared wood against destruction by termites. Curiously enough the Process which only occupies a few hours, actually improves the appearance of the wood, which at the same time is effectually seasoned and rendered proof against dry rot and similar fungoid growths, the cost too is said to be low. Particulars can be had free from the Secretary, 28, Fleet Street, E. C.

VOLUNTEER INSPECTIONS.

Major-General A.A. Pearson, C. B., Inspector-General of Volunteers in India will visit the Volunteer Corps at the following stations on dates stated below:—

North-Western Railway Volunteer Rifles, Umballa 1st October.

East Indian Railway Volunteer Rifles. Umballa 1st October.

North-Western Railway Volunteer Rifles, Saharampur 2nd October.

Oudh and Rohilkhand Railway Vol. Rifles, Moradabad 3rd October.

Lucknow Volunteer Rifles, Lucknow, 4th and 5th October.

Cawnpore Volunteer Rifles, Cawnpore 5th and 6th October.

East Indian Railway Volunteer Rifles, Cawnpore 5th and 6th October.

2nd Bn. B. B. and C. I. Ry. Vol. Rifles, Cawnpore 5th and 6th October.

United Provinces Light Horse Head Quarters, Cawnpore 5th and 6th October.

2nd Bn. G. I. P. Ry. Vol. Rifles, Agra 8th and 9th October.

2nd Bn. G. I. P. Ry. Vol. Rifles, Jhansi 9th and 10th October.

Cawnpore Vol. Rifles Mounted Rifles, Jhansi 9th and 10th October.

Bombay Volunteer Rifles, Bombay 15th to 18th October.

Bombay Light Horse, Bombay 15th to 18th October,

Bombay Volunteer Artillery, Bombay 15th to 18th October.

1st Bn. G. I. P. Ry. Volunteer Rifles, Bombay 15th to 18th October

1st Bn. B, B, and C. I. Ry. Vol, Rifles, Bombay 15th to 18th October.

Sind Volunteer Rifles, Karachi 22nd to 24th October.

Karachi Volunteer Artillery, Karachi 22nd to 24th October.

North-Western Railway Volunteer Rifles, Karachi 22nd to 24th October.

North-Western Railway Volunteer Rifles, Kotri 25th October.

Sind Volunteer Rifles, Hyderabad Sind 25th October.

North-Western Railway Vol, Rifles. Sukkur, 26th October.

Sind Volunteer Rifles, Sukkur 26th October.

North-Western Railway Volunteers, Mooltan 27th October.

North-Western Railway Volunteer Rifles, Lahore 29th and 30th October.

Punjab Light Horse. Lahore 29th and 30th October.

1st Punjab Volunteer Rifles, Lahore 29th and 30th October.

DURAND FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 27.

The Camerons met the Glosters today: former scored in the second half of extra time and won by one goal to Love. The latter played one man short from the beginning of the second half of play, but managed to keep the score sheet blank, owing to the brilliant goal keeping.

The Camerons meet the Bedfords in finals on Saturday.

THE LADIES' CORNER.

NOVEL CAREERS FOR THE FAIR SEX.

A girl who, prior to the San Francisco earthquake was a typewriter, had all her belongings destroyed by the fire—save a small trunk in which she had her savings. With these she set up a portable coffee stall and is now doing a prosperous business. She finds that her talent lies in this direction rather than the other, and means to continue in the new business. A married woman unable to find employment as a school teacher turned to blacksmithing, and in this she is assisted by several daughters. Two of the girls, aged 17 and 15 respectively, are expert bicycle repairers.

One of these girls is a born mechanic. The husband and father is a sickly man, but the mother declares that they all like the work, and thrive upon it. "This is out Kansas way, and, of course, we do not like the idea of women blacksmiths, but certainly the stories indicate resourcefulness and suggest that there are still other occupation for women than those to which they have go far been admitted."

THE LADY CHAUFFEUR.

Another suggestion comes from the *Lady's Pictorial*. The writer declares that possibly the next work which women may take up will be that of the chauffeur. Women make better drivers than men. They learn more quickly, and they drive more carefully, though at the same time it must be confessed that they are more fearless than men, and consequently more liable to run risks. At all events, there seem nothing in the work done by a chauffeur that makes it unsuitable for a woman, or likely to be better done by a man. The mysteries of the steering gear, and so on, appear to be even more easily unravelled by women, and even simple mechanical repairs such as are usually dealt with by a chauffeur are by no means beyond a woman's undertaking. A woman chauffeur would make a much more suitable companion for ladies' motoring than a man, but, of course, she would have her drawbacks, and in cases of accident she might not be so fluent as the male chauffeur, who usually speaks forcibly on such occasions."

WONDERFUL EMBROIDERIES.

"We have been very faithful to embroideries of an elaborate order for a long time past, and now we are entering on a new compact with them," writes a lady correspondent in Paris. "Many of the long coats—Louis XV. and XVII. periods—demand embroideries of the finest order for the waistcoats and for the corners of cuffs and pockets. Embroideries for coats of this order will be, necessarily, very costly. It was recorded last season that the decoration of a waistcoat worn by an actress at the Vaudeville Theatre cost £40—the embroideries alone. Side by side with elaborate embroideries we are to have elaborate braidings and these on full coats. Personally I dislike to see handsome furs "trimmed up" it seems a thousand pities, and in nine cases out of ten the effect would have been infinitely better if the beautiful fur had been allowed to show itself 'all alone.' At the same time facts are facts, and I have seen within the last few days some coats and boleros in rich sealskin which were half coverd with designs in brown silk braid of the same shade as the fur. It is a distinct novelty, and the garments of which I am speaking were created by the first furrier in Paris, but I cannot say that the effect was good. "I also saw in the same atelier a lovely three-quarter coat in chinchilla, with scrolls of black hercules braid all round the hem, and decorations of the same kind on the yoke. This coat was lined with lemon-yellow brocade, and the whole thing was as remarkably rich, though my personal taste would have demanded the chinchilla without the braidings."

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

The Honourable Mr. Justice L. P. Russell, Barrister-at-Law, assumed the execution of the duties of his office as Chief Justice of His Majesty's High Court of Judicature at Bombay on the 19th September in the forenoon.

Mr. H. G. Gell, M.V.O., on his return from leave, is placed on special duty from the date of his arrival at Aden up to the date of his assuming charge in Bombay of his appointment as Commissioner of Police, Bombay.

Mr. E. F. Nicholson, Solicitor to Government and Public Prosecutor, Bombay, is granted leave of absence, on private affairs, for four months, from the 10th November or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Mr. J. C. G. Bowen to act as Solicitor to Government and Public Prosecutor, Bombay, during the absence of Mr. Nicholson, or pending further orders.

Mr. D. Healy, Probationary Third Grade Assistant Superintendent of Police, Sholapur, passed on the 18th September an examination in Marathi according to the test prescribed for Police Officers.

Mr. J. McNeil, I. C. S., is granted privilege leave of absence for three months in combination with furlough for eighteen months.

Mr. C. S. Campbell, I. C. S., to act as Registrar, Co-operative Credite Societies, Bombay Presidency, vice Mr. J. McNeil, I. C. S., proceeding on leave, pending further orders.

Mr. Edward Thompstone to the Assistant to the Deputy Director of Agriculture in the Bombay Agricultural Department.

Mr. A. A. McDonald, R. I. M., to be Second Engineer Shipwright Surveyor to the Port vice Engineer T H Knight.

Major J R B G Carter, a Trustee, the Port of Aden vice Captain E O'Brien.

Lieutenant T. H. H. Hand, R. I. M., a Trustee of the Port of Aden, vice Lieutenant D. F. Vines.

The Reverend E. E. Hill to be Garrison Chaplain at the Presidency.

The Reverend R. Wormell to be Chaplain of Ghorpuri.

The Reverend S. Leigh-Lye, on return from leave, to be Chaplain of Rajkot.

The Reverend W. B. Preston to be Chaplain of Byculla on the departure of the Reverend W. J. M. Kennelly on leave.

The Reverend W.J.M. Kennelly, Chaplain of Byculla, is granted such privilege leave of absence as may be due to him on the 1st November, or subsequent date, in combination with furlough for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to two years.

Captain W. O'S. Murphy, M.B., I. M. S., to be in charge of the Observation Camp for pilgrims to be established at Perim.

Mrs. B A Willis to be a Visitor of the Lunatic Asylum, Colaba, vice Mrs. Grattan Geary, resigned.

Dr. J. H. Walsh to act as Special Port Health Officer, Karachi, vice Captain W. O. S. Murphy, M. B., I. M. S., as a temporary measure.

Mr. A. B. deSouza, L. C. E., Assistant Engineer, 1st Grade, permanent, and Acting Executive Engineer, Western Nara District, is granted privilege leave for two months and twenty-two days from 1st October. He is allowed to rejoin his duties at the end of the Christmas Holidays.

On return from privilege leave Mr. A Nazareth, L. C. E., Assistant Engineer, 1st Grade, permanent, and Executive Engineer, 3rd Grade, temporary rank, is appointed Executive Engineer, Western Nara District, vice Mr. deSouza.

Pending Mr. Nazareth's arrival Mr. H. A. MacArthur, Sub-Engineer, 2nd Grade, permanent, and Sub-Engineer, 1st Grade, temporary, is appointed to hold charge of the office of the Executive Engineer, Western Nara District.

To Bombay Mr. Dhan Raj Sawhney,—Mr. William Edward Ashton Jones

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THE NATIVE PRESS.

AN IMPERIAL INDIAN COUNCIL.

THE *Indian Spectator* has it:—Mr. Sankaran Nair's suggestion regarding the institution of a Council for social legislation has found an influential supporter in the *Times* writer on Indian Affairs. In the opinion of the learned writer, such a Council would give the necessary training in public or Parliamentary life to the leaders of the various communities, so that eventually they would be more fitted to play a responsible part in the politics of their country. We suspect, as we remarked when Mr. Nair's article appeared in the *Contemporary*, that the Council will for a long time to come declare that the time has not yet come for legislation of any important character, and thus make its work very light. The Congress was originally designed to discuss social topics also, but it soon found that such discussions were unpalatable. The Resolutions which it did pass, as for example on Religious Endowments, have not commended themselves to Government. The *Times* writer, however, does not recommend that the Council should confine itself to purely social legislation. He further suggests that power might be given to the Viceroy to submit from time to time to the Council such other subjects for discussion as he might deem fit. The Finance Minister, for example, might ask how an educational grant might be allotted. The fact is, if such a Council is established, it will gradually develop into a Consultative Council, of the kind suggested in these columns and in *East & West*. We are not quite sure if Mr. Nair did not expect or intend the gradual evolution of his Council for social legislation into something different. If the Council passes a resolution which is apparently of social importance, but which borders on politics the Government will not find it easy to rule it out of order.

ABOLITION OF THE PILGRIM QUARANTINE.

The *Rast Goftar* writes:—The Mahomedan community has good reasons to congratulate itself for the successful sequel to their representation to Government for the abolition of quarantine restrictions on pilgrims proceeding to the Hedjaz from Bombay. The community is specially indebted to the Anjuman-Islam for taking upon itself to obtain a repeal of the irksome restriction. The Anjuman took an initiative, six months ago, when a meeting was held under its auspices, presided over by H. H. the Aga Khan, to move the Government in the matter. In the course of a powerful memorial the hardships to which the Hajis were subjected during detention in the Quarantine camp at Pir Pao, were serially enumerated, and their case was submitted to the Government for consideration. The community found an able mouthpiece in the person of the Hon. Mr Ibrahim Rahimtoola, who has since then taken a prominent share in urging the case of the Haji to the notice of the authorities. It is due, in no small measure to his unflagging energy and perseverance that the matter has been brought to such a successful termination.

THE PARSEE PRESIDENCY CRICKET MATCH.

Says the *Gujerati*:—We tender our hearty congratulations to the Presidency team for the brilliant victory they won over the Parsees in the annual Presidency Cricket Match. The contest has justly been compared to a 'great game.' The Poona Gymkhana ground had not for years witnessed such a spectacle. The crowd of eager spectators was unusually large, the weather was ideal and the ground in perfect condition till the conclusion of the contest. So that the match may be said to have taken place under very favourable circumstances, and it must be admitted that even the teams were on the whole well matched, though in batting the advantage lay on the side of the Presidency. The honours of the contest rested chiefly with Chaplin, Wigram and Airy on the side of the Presidency and Kanga, Mistry and Meherhomjee on the side of the Parsees. It was only rare pluck and determination that saved the Parsee players from a crushing defeat and they deserve to be congratulated on the exhibition of uncommon nerve which enabled them to score heavily in their second innings. Successive triumphs, like successive failures, are apt to prove prejudicial to the best interests of the game and the defeat of the Parsee team is hardly a matter for disappointment or adverse criticism, having regard to the plucky stand they made after a very discouraging beginning.

COUNTRY TOBACCO-SELLERS IN BOMBAY.

Recounting the alleged unreasonable character of the restrictions sought to be imposed on the country tobacco sellers of Bombay, the *Parsi* remarks:—These are only some of the rules by which the country tobacco-dealer is kept straight in his dealing and any one, who has a casual acquaintance with the class of persons who are engaged in country tobacco trade in the streets and bazaars of this city, can realise how galling some of these restrictions are to those people. Once the duty on the article is paid, it is but fair that the people who hold licenses should be allowed to keep and sell it wherever they please. Of course proper precautions must be taken to prevent illicit traffic in the particle, but, for this, there is the preventive staff who, if they were to discharge their duty properly, can bring any offender to book immediately. It is to be hoped, therefore, that the Government will early accord a favourable consideration to the representations recently made by the Country Tobacco—Dealers' Association of this city.

THE BANDORA MUNICIPAL FRANCHISE.

The *Indu Prakash* discourses thus on Municipal matters in Bandora:—From oligarchy towards democracy is the tendency of the day in the civilized world and so far at least as Local Self-Government is concerned, the settled policy of the Government of India is to associate with it a larger and larger proportion of the population, so as to prevent powers and rights becoming concentrated in the hands either of the upper few or of a small clique or section of a partizan character. And yet, in the fashionable suburb of Bandora, so near to enlightened and progressive Bombay, we find that on a resolution passed by a very narrow majority at a by no means fully attended meeting of the Municipal Committee, the recommendation has gone to Government that the franchise for voting at Municipal elections should be raised from Rs. 4 to Rs. 15, in regard to housetax, and from Rs. 20 to Rs. 41 in regard to monthly salary. The present franchise has been in existence for 20 years and no cause has been given for its sudden and abnormal raising up in the unconscionable manner proposed. The first effect of the proposed change would be to diminish seriously the numerical strength of the electorate. Another effect will be to violently disturb the wholesome proportion at present subsisting in the electoral roll between the different interests and different communities of the place.

MR. B. G. TILAK AND THE INDIAN CONGRESS.

The *Indian Social Reformer* says there is not the slightest ground for the belief that the next generation of Congress men will be followers of Mr. B. G. Tilak. One contemporary adds:—The forecast of a Poona contemporary that the conversion of the Congress into a Tilak—Pal movement has only been postponed for a year by the nomination of Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji as President, is highly rash and utterly baseless. If there was the ghost of a doubt this year that the extremists may be able to get the control of that movement, it was because of the chaotic state of affairs in Bengal for the time being. Outside of Bengal, there is no place in India where there is the least chance of their imposing on the credulity of the public. In Bombay, in Madras, in Allahabad, in Nagpur, in Lucknow and in Ahmedabad, they will be simply unable to lift their heads. As a matter of fact, since 1897 there has not been a single year in which they had not attempted to get the Congress into their hands. They had been completely thwarted on every occasion. In the face of this uniform discomfiture, the Poona writer's confidence that the future is with him and his, argues a very sanguine temperament. Nor is there the slightest ground for the belief expressed by the same writer that the next generation of Congressmen will be followers of Mr. Tilak. Mr. Tilak is not the youngest of present-day Congressmen. There are younger and abler men than he who are dead against his methods which they consider to be fraught with calamitous consequences to the country. It will be a process of atavism if the coming generations of Congressmen should take after Mr. Tilak and not after those who have a clearer and more up-to-date view of the situation.

CIVIL POSTINGS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, SEPTEMBER 27.

Major Powney Thompson, on return from Home leave on October 31st, will revert to the Punjab from the North-West Frontier Province and be posted as Deputy Commissioner of Karnal.

Another Civilian who is reverting from the Frontier Province is Mr. Wilson-Jonstone, who returns to the Punjab at the close of November.

Colonel Ramsden, Accountant General, Army Department, returns from leave in the middle of November when Major Bruce, who has been officiating for Colonel Ramsden will proceed on two and a half month's leave.

Mr. J. Campbell returns from leave next week and resumes his appointment as Under Secretary, Commerce Department, but Mr. Gubbay will continue to officiate as Under Secretary as Mr. Rainy, the Second Under Secretary in the Department will be away acting as Secretary to the Telegraph Re-organisation Committee.

A DAY AT "APPY" AMPSTEAD is thoroughly enjoyed by the East End poor, as is amply proved by the immense crowds who flock there every Bank Holiday. The pure air and bracing atmosphere to be found on the breezy heights of Highgate and its neighbourhood cannot fail to benefit those who can only spend a few hours in their midst. Holidays, however, cannot be fully enjoyed by those persons who are suffering from disease. Holloway's Pills and Ointment can speedily remove this drawback to pleasure if a fair trial is only afforded them. As a curator rheumatism, gout, fevers, diarrhœa, diseases of the skin, scrofula, ulcers, sores, burns, or old wounds, they are beyond competition.

BY THE WAY.

NATAL NATIVES.

ACCORDING to the latest official information, the number of natives in Natal on December 31 last was 921,073, consisting of 314 distinct tribes, each ruled by a chief, either hereditary or appointed. Accommodation is found for this large black population in 239,000 huts, which go to make up over 80,000 separate kraals. During 1905 the natives contributed £247,455 to the Colonial revenue, hut tax alone accounting for £168,245, while fines and Court fees brought in £41,337.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF NATIVE LAW.

The position and welfare of the natives are shortly to be dealt with by an influential Commission in the Colony, and it may be interesting to detail the present form of administration of native law under the tribal system. First comes the supreme chief, his Excellency the Governor; under him is the Secretary for Native Affairs, whose chief executive officers are the Under-Secretary for Native Affairs and the Commissioner for Native Affairs in the Province of Zululand. The Under-Secretary for Native Affairs is responsible for the efficiency of thirty-one white magistrates, who in turn exercise authority over 231 native chiefs. The Commissioner for Native Affairs in Zululand has eleven white magistrates under him who have jurisdiction over eighty-three native chiefs. Out of the total native population only 70,000 are in service, 20,000 being employed in Durban, 10,000 in Pietermaritzburg, and about 2,000 in the coal mines in the north of the Colony.

A PHOTOGRAPHIC MISSIONARY IN LONDON.

"On of New York's most successful woman photographers," whose name is modestly concealed has been giving an American interviewer some of the results of a three months' experience in London. She finds the English people fonder of being photographed than any other, but she is grievously disappointed with their ideals. She describes, with much contempt, "the traditional group of two, man and the woman seated decked out in bridal or Sunday best finery, and the man awkward and ungainly, one hand draped over the shoulder of the seated figure, both staring with hard, fixed smiles which might well be intended to disarm an approaching dentist." This kind of thing flourishes, no doubt, just now at the seaside, but we demur at being gravely told that this is "the typical upper-class English idea of a photograph."

LABOUR UNIONS IN ENGLAND AN ABROAD.

Germany shows rapid progress in general or federal organisation. There are two distinct sections; the Social Democratic Societies embrace more than two-thirds of the aggregate organised workers of the country. The "Christian Societies" have also made great progress, and are istill able to hold their own. The aggregate membership of all the unions is 1,466,625, with an annual income, all told, of 1,300,360£. In France the transport trades have the largest number of unions, but the engineering, metal, mining, and textile trades have the largest membership. The building trades have also a large number of unions. The total number of unions is 4625, and the membership 781,344. In Austria the engineering and metal trades lead; the building trades and transport industries come next in importance respectively. There are 2750 unions, with 205,651 members. In Italy there are 480,689 members, but the exact number of unions is not known; agricultural workers take the lead. In Spain there are 373 branches of unions with 56,905 members, so that the recent strikes must have been mainly by non-union workers. In Denmark there are 978 unions, with 67,593 members. In Sweden there are 1452 branches of unions, with 91,452 members. In Norway 23 unions, with 14,740 members. In Switzerland 569 unices, with 41,862 members. In Holland 134 unions, with 6535 members; so that there non-unionist appear to preponderate. The United States most nearly approach to British unions, numerically and financially. In the American Federation of Labour alone there are 118 affiliated unions, with a total membership of 1,494,300 members, and an annual income of £43,212l. In Germany there are old-age pensions, and insurance against accident. In the latter respect Austria and Hungary follow the lead of Germany. In Germany 10,224,297 persons are thus insured. On the whole, the conditions of labour are better here than anywhere else in the world.—*Engineering*

PARK TREES POISONED.

A curious fate has befallen some of the trees and shrubs in Northerhay, the romantic and picturesque pleasure garden of Exeter. Some months ago, we learn from the *Garden*, the gardeners noticed that on each side of one of the main avenues a patch of vegetation was mysteriously perishing. The shrubs first stricken were some Euonymus bushes. Then the mysterious complaint spread to the ground ivy which fringes each side of the walk. Next it was observed that two the beautiful young elms, each some fifty feet in height, had succumbed. At the present moment these two trees are standing, black, gaunt, and hopeless amid the surrounding luxuriance. On careful examination it was discovered that a gas-pipe running beneath the middle of the walk was leaking badly, and there can be little doubt that the trees and plans have fallen victims to poisoning by coal gas.

A BELFRY HALF A MILE FROM THE CHURCH.

It is generally supposed that the village church of East Berge holtoffolk, is the only one in England which possesse an entirely distinct building for its belfry. The bells of the church are hung in a shed many yards away from the church, and are worked from above instead of from beneath. The church of Warms worth, however, a village situated about two miles from Doncaster, can, the *Sunday Sound* points out, boast of a belfry which is about half a mile away from the church. As the crow flies, the distance between church and belfry which is known as Bell Tower, is 2,350ft, the distance by road bein about half a mile.

FROM THE TWELFTH CENTURY.

The belfry is by no means a makeshift building. The tower, in fact, is said to date back to the twelfth century and the reason of its isolation forms a rather curious story. The church was originally built on its present site to accommodate the villagers of both Warmsworth and Balby, the latter village being half a mile from the former. The tower was then placed in Warmsworth in order that the parishioners might hear the bell, which stops ringing a quarter of an hour before the service in order to enable the bell-ringer to get to the church in time. The *Sunday Stand* is this month as usual full of excellent reading.

THE KING AND A POTTERS' CHOIR.

It is stated that a Staffordshire choir is to have the honour of singing before the King. Mr. John Ward, member for Stoke, has long maintained that the working-men of the Pottery district can sing quite as well as Welshmen. A few months ago he approached the King's private secretary, in the hope that, since the Welsh Choir had been received by the King, the potters might have the same privilege. Now, according to the London correspondent of the *Manchester Guardian*, he has been informed that in the late autumn, when the King is in residence at Buckingham Palace, Staffordshire Choir is to be given an opportunity of singing before him.

THE RIPENING OF THE ROWAN BERRIES.

A pleasant symptom of approaching English autumn is the appearance of the brilliant scarlet berries on the mountain-ash, as the rowan, which really belongs to the pear tribe is absurdly misnamed. No tree so combines beauty with utility as this favourite denizen of suburban shrubberies. The wood is "all heart"; many men and most birds eat the coral fruit, from which the Welsh still brew a species of cider that John Evelyn considered "an incomparable drink." The tree itself is a specific against witchcraft and evil spirit: which is why the rowan can be found in most West-country churchyards. Suffragettes who pursue poor Mr. Asquith should provide themselves with boughs of the mountain-ash, from which the Amazons formed their spear-shafts.

SALE OF THE NINE REEFS MINE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS SEPTEMBER 27.

I learn from the Kolar Gold Fields that the Balaghat Company have agreed to purchase the Nine Reefs property for £10,000. The cash transaction will not be completed until the arrangements have been duly registered in the Mysore State.

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GREEN ROOM GOSSIP.

THE beautiful production at His Majesty's of *A Winter's Tale* awakens in the mind of the matured playgoer a very sweet and delightful memory. It recalls a series of bright stage pictures, wherein Miss Mary Anderson, an uncommonly lovely young actress from America, is moving—and moving with a most exquisite grace—now as the noble Hermione, whose conduct must strike the scolding suffragist as proceeding from incurable mental disorder, and now as Prince Florizel's Arcadian—or Bohemian—"queen of curds and cream," Perdita. There being little of importance and nothing of development in the character of Perdita, the playgoer who comes to feast his heart (through his eyes) on Miss Mary Anderson concludes, and not in the least unkindly, that the "rare and radiant maiden" in question, who is gluing the noses of masculine London to the photographers' windows of Baker Street, has undertaken to play the two parts with the view of showing that, though naturally young enough for Perdita, she is artistically old enough for Hermione. The playgoers is more than satisfied with her decision, for he feels it would be wilful waste of youthful beauty for Miss Mary Anderson to appear only as the matronly Hermione.

Madame Navarro's appearance at the Lyceum in *A Winter's Tale* is separated from to-day by a period of twenty years, or a very little less. Then the beauty, the popularity, the talent, and the great success of Miss Mary Anderson, whom rumour had betrothed to nearly every English nobleman (unmarried) who was seen in a box at her theatre, marked her as a very special object of public attention and interest, and the late Mr. Clement Scott, among other important dramatic critics of the time, did not hesitate to supplement his criticism of her art with odds and ends of information of the personal and "chatty" kind. And it seems that a few days ago—so closely does a present revival link itself with one of the past—that one learnt with astonishment of Professor Herkomer's engagement at the Lyceum as superintendent of the general dressing of the play, and as personal attendant to the statuesque folds in the drapery of Hermione. That the drapery might hang from the figure of the actress in a manner to suggest the solidity of marble, the inventor of what became known as the "Herkomer Moon"—a familiar feature of the realism of Irving productions—had it soaked in water, from the waist downwards, which made it necessary for Miss Anderson, in order that she might not catch her death of cold, to wear a thin petticoat of waterproofed material beneath the professor's artistically arranged robes.

The Hermione of 1886 was as devoted to Hampstead as is the Hermione of 1906. Miss Ellen Terry enjoys nothing better than a ramble over the Heath on days not dedicated to the service of the steam roundabout and its organ's mandeningly limited *repertoire*, and she has frequently put in weekends at one or the other of the historic inns, and studied new parts among the roses of the beutiful gardens connected with the Golder's Hill estate, to the attractions of which, as a spot for a summer or autumn day out, the London County Council have so wisely added a high-class restaurant. Miss Marry Anderson, before she retired from the stage, lived in a handsome house near the famous old Church Square, and within a stone's throw (presuming the thrower to have a strong "cricket arm") of New Grove House, for many years the residence of George du Maurier, and to-day occupied, as if in happy continuance of artistic association, by Mr. and Mrs Richard Speaight, the latter of whom has for some years been well-known visitors to the miniature gallery of the Royal Academy.

Miss Anderson chose Hampstead as being "so near and yet so far"—so convenient for getting to the Lyceum and yet so countrified and healthfully distant from the fret and fume—and fumes! of the City. In the early morning, the famous Hermione of 1886—though she looked more of the Perdita on those occasions—was frequently seen, attended by her groom, mastering a pretty dark-brown mare over the sandy ride running alongside the Golder's Hill Gardens. She possessed to such a striking degree, on these occasions, the picturesque outlines of the S. E. Waller "canvas heroine" of the "good old days" of duels, elopements postboys, blunderbusses and so forth, that the imaginative eye, encountering her thus mounted amid the old-fashioned surroundings of North End—where yet stands the mansion of the elder Pitt—had no difficulty in providing a visionary foresters' green velvet habit and Gainsborough hat to complete the picture.

The man or woman who rides a horse is rarely the short of person to feel nervous in cabs, and I recollect a ride Miss Mary Anderson once had in a four-wheeler which she would probably not have sat through as calmly as she did if her nerves had not been kept in good order by her morning rides over Hampstead Heath. Miss Anderson usually travelled from her home to the Lyceum in a private four-wheeler engaged by the month, and the driver of this one cold and gusty evening drove her to the historic house in Wellington Street while he was in the most dangerous and deplorable state of intoxication. The actress thought it a little strange for a driver, usually so careful, to whip his horse into a canter while negotiating the steep descent of Fitzjohn's Avenue, and she concluded it was certainly unlike him to take the wrong side of the "refuge" at the bottom of the hill near Swiss the wheels Cottage; but it was not until he had shaved of an omnibus in Great Portland Street, cannoned against another in Oxford Street, and scattred a file of policemen crossing from Bow Street Station over to the Covent Garden Theatre that she observed to her terrified maid, "I really believe the dreadful man must have been drinking!" This was so firmly the opinion of the police who took him from his box outside the Lyceum stage-door, and of the Bow Street magistrate before whom he was brought on the following morning, that "the dreadful man" found himself compelled to find forty silver shillings wherewith to buy his body from the discomforts of seven days, imprisonment, How many times in that one ride from Hampstead to the Strand the beautiful American actress escaped from death, Heaven alone knows!

Mr. Charles Frohman, whose habit of crossing and recrossing the Atlantic Ocean on business connected with his various theatrical enterprises has earned for him the nickname of "To-and-Frohman," is so satisfied with the expert manner in which *Raffles* has stolen the hearts of London playgoers that he has decided to send the "Amateur Cracksman" (as was the play's title when Mr. Kyrle Bellew carried it shoulder-high to success in New York) into the provinces to see what luck he will have there. The result should be eminently satisfactory, judging from Mr. Frohman's engagement of Mr. Leonard Boyne for Raffles. If there is one actor more than another who reaches the feminine sympathies over the footlights by sheer manliness rather than by pictorial-postcardian comeliness, it is this fine Irish actor, who has given us all such great delight, both in modern heroic drama and the quieter—and might we safely say the more intellectual?—passages of conversational comedy. His Raffles is sure to prove a great success in the provinces—and it will be a Raffles of his own.

There surely were never three actors with such widely different method and personality as Kyrle Bellew, Gerald du Maurier, and Leonard Boyne—Bellew, romantic above all things, heroic direct, somewhat traditional, and insistently handsome; Gerald du Maurier, smooth, cunningly artistic, making effect by the very avoidance of it, and mysteriously and insinuatingly "interesting;" Leonard Boyne—strong commanding, exuberant, yet with a hold upon himself as powerful as his ardour, as unfailing as his gift of fascination—hearty with the heartiness of a sportsman which he is, and with, an air about him, not of the stage but of Hurlingham of Ranelagh, of the Paddock, and of the Guards' Club. At the Comedy (from whose stage, by the way, Mr. Charles Frohman will not need to remove *Raffles* for some months to come) there appeared last week, from Monday to Friday, yet another "amateur cracksman," that of Mr. Arthur Wontner, who played the part very effectively in the absence of Mr. du Maurier. For the character of Mrs. Vidal, impersonated at the Comedy by Miss Sarah Broke, Mr. Frohman has chosen, for his Leonord Boyne company, the charming actress. Miss Hilda Stewart, who will be remembered for her neat comedy work in *The Walls of Jariche* at the Garrick, where she remained for an entire year, as well as for her lighter responsibilities as the leading comedienne of her own company in the farce, *Brother Bill*, which she took to nearly every known town in the United Kingdom.

A Friend in Australia sends us a newspaper clipping concerning a strange thing that recently happened, or is reported to have happened, to the comedian, Mr. William Collier. The American actor, with a full native company, is at Her Majesty's Theatre, Sydney, in the amusing piece, half comedy and half farce, *On the Quiet*. The fatigue of a week's work induced him on the Sunday to "take the air" in a carriage; and as he was not, on that night, returning to the hotel whence he was starting for his drive around the City, he told the hall-porter to put his portmenteau on the footboard beside the legs of the driver. The porter obeyed, and Mr. Collier, now well-known by sight to the inhabitants of Sydney, went on his way. But the drive was by no means an enjoyable one. He didn't object to the people in the streets staring at him, and nudging one another as he passed by; that was comforting evidence of popularity.

MESSRS. E. and W. H. ROSE, in a letter to a morning paper at home, state that they have a vine, planted in 1851, in front of their office in the market-place of Malton which has had a phenomenal crop this season. In 1900 this vine produced 301 bunches, weighing 10 stones, and in 1896 the bunches weighed 14 stones. "We have in recent years made three lots of wine from these 'Black Hambro' grapes. It is quite unusual that grapes can be grown outside to such perfection so far north."

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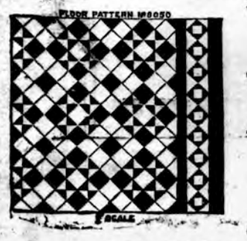

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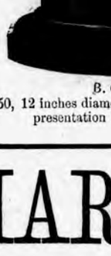

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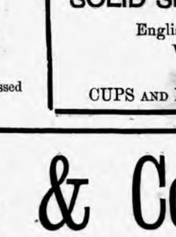

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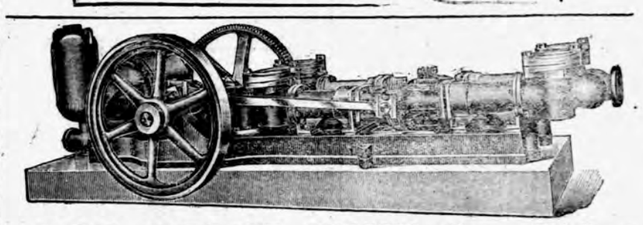

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